

**A Shinto wedding**

Traditional Japanese ceremony unites Danville couple

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# Legion of memories

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Where does the Veterans Hall go from here?**

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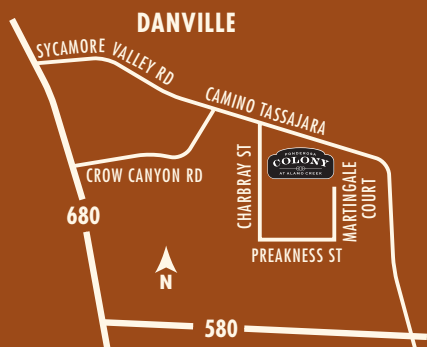
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# Streetwise

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## Q: What would you like to see happen to the Veterans Hall?



I think the town needs to present the vets with a central location to make sure they are a visible part of the community. As I am getting older, I'm noticing a lot of older people come in and out.

—**Pat Foley**  
homemaker



I remember being in there as a teen and it was pretty run down even then. They used to have concerts in there with bad projection. It would be nice if they made it into a place more people would want to go.

—**Paul Johnson**  
contractor



I'd like to see it made into another Starbucks. Just kidding. They should make it into a rec hall, a place where teenagers can go and sit down and not get chased away.

—**Philip Hellsten**  
artist and "Master of the Elements"



Unless it's an absolutely exorbitant cost, I'd say it should be preserved. It's what makes little towns little towns. Everything is so new here, there are very few pieces of cultural architecture. If you go to Europe, people have plaques on their houses that say "built in 1789." Old buildings give places a sense of history.

—**Dan Udoutch**  
store owner



Anything but condos! They should make it into someplace fun that kids can go and play pingpong and pool. Keep them busy and they'll stay out of trouble.

—**Paula Mcadam**  
retired American Airlines worker

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Mac Osborn (left) and Manuel Medina play showgirls in 1948-49 in the popular American Legion Follies held at the Veterans Memorial Hall after World War II—a help for all the young men "who got old during the war." Now San Ramon Valley veterans are working toward building a new, larger facility.

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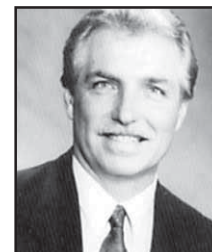
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**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

“ It was like two  
Martians married  
at Grace Cathedral. ”

—Danville resident Bob Leek, who traveled to Japan with Patti Landrum to get married in a Shinto-style ceremony, about locals taking their picture at the shrine where they wore the traditional clothing. See story, page 16.

**Primo's Run is Sunday**

Primo's Run for Education takes place this Sunday, Oct. 8. The run's half marathon begins at 7:30 a.m. at Primo's Pizza & Pasta, at the corner of Hartz Avenue and Diablo Road. The event's 5K Family Fun Run/Walk begins at 8:30 a.m. at Iron Horse Middle School on Alcosta Boulevard in San Ramon. Both races are certified by USA Track & Field.

Late registration for the half marathon starts at 6 a.m. at Primo's, and late registration for 5K Family run begins at 7 a.m. at Iron Horse Middle School.

The courses cover Danville and parts of San Ramon and both end at Iron Horse Middle School. After the race, a Fun Fair will be held. Participants who have runner sponsors will be eligible for prizes.

Primo's Run is the largest event to benefit the San Ramon Valley Education Foundation and attracts thousands of runners from all over the Bay Area.

**Town has commission openings**

The Danville Town Council invites applications for three open seats in the Planning Commission; two in the Design Review Board; and two in the Heritage Resource Commission. Applications are available at the town offices, 510 La Gonda Way, the Danville Web site at [www.ci.danville.ca.us](http://www.ci.danville.ca.us), or by calling the City Clerk at 314-3401. Completed applications must be received by 4 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 2.

The Planning Commission is comprised of seven regular members and one alternate member. The term of office is four years, commencing Jan. 1. Its responsibilities include monitoring the implementation of the Town's General Plan and making recommendations to the Town Council.

The Design Review Board has five members, each with a specific area of expertise. The term of office is two years, commencing Jan. 1. It is an advisory board to the Planning Commission.

The Heritage Resources Commission has seven members and one alternate member who serve four-year terms. The term of office is four years, commencing Dec. 1. The commission's duties include establishing criteria and maintaining an inventory of sites that are deemed historically and architecturally significant, implementing and updating the Historic Preservation Ordinance, and educating the residents of Danville on the town's heritage.

**Police providing gun locks**

Each year, American children are accidentally killed by weapons that were not properly secured, according to the Danville Police Department. To address the issue of accidental death by firearm, the department has joined forces with Project Child Safe to provide free gun locks for Danville residents and town employees.

Free high quality cable gun locks, including full directions on how to use them, are available for pickup at the front lobby of the Danville Police Department, 150 La Gonda Way. Police urge everyone to take advantage of this program. Call Community Service Officer Toni Ferreira at 314-3359 with any questions.

**Corrections** The story Sept. 28, "Home full of faces," should have stated that artist Beth Batchelor is the president of the Contra Costa Academy of Fine Art; her phone number is 837-5654.

## Trees to bloom again in front of Yardbirds

Alamo Improvement Association questions unsightly storage area adjacent to Iron Horse Trail

by **Natalie O'Neill**

Alamo may be developing, but that doesn't mean its natural landscape has to suffer.

Home Depot-Yardbirds, which will move into the old Yardbirds location in Las Trampas Center in 2007, has committed to planting trees in front of the store for the benefit of Alamo beautification. The gesture may help establish a positive relationship with the community, some residents say.

"Our site plan, which we are working with the AIA (Alamo

Improvement Association) to get approved, includes new onsite trees," said West Cost Home Depot Representative Kathryn Gallagher.

The company will work with county Public Works to fill the gap in trees along Danville Boulevard, in front of the shopping center. The break in the boulevard of trees was caused this winter after the county approved the removal of three dedicated oak trees.

Now, the space in front of the former Yardbirds location will be filled and three trees will be added as part of a combined effort from

Home Depot and county Public Works.

"We are in communication with the county," Gallagher said.

Initially officials were unsure whether the replacement trees could go back in the same location where they were removed, due to potential sidewalk damage and high planting and maintenance costs.

Residents then voiced that they were unhappy with the location's empty look. The county responded with a recent announcement at an Alamo Landscape and Lighting

Committee meeting, stating they agree to replant them in the spot where they were taken out.

"We are willing to put them back in that location," said county Senior Civil Engineer Eric Whan.

While they will be planted where the community favors, officials said they will have to choose the species carefully so as not to cause damage to the sidewalk as the trees grow.

But while Alamo residents are generally pleased with the planned tree planting, many are concerned about plans for the back of the Home Depot, AIA members said.

At a recent meeting, Home Depot presented site plans for trees, signage and the back entrance to their new store. The company said it plans to keep signage minimal but is considering building a 12-foot concrete wall in the storage yard that will back up against the Iron Horse Trail.

"That's what got all the discussion ... it's structured in a low-grade way," said Mike Gibson of AIA.

Other Alamo residents said the

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## Dogs denied in Danville

Planners say Puppy Playland not fit for neighborhood

by **Jordan M. Doronila**

Danville Planning Commissioners denied a kennel's application to use a building on Fostoria Way in Danville at their meeting in the Town Meeting Hall last week.

Five out of the seven commissioners voted to deny Puppy Playland use of a building on Fostoria Way because they said having a dog daycare center would be inappropriate in the neighborhood.

The local zoning ordinance notes that the building can be used for light industrial purposes.

Commissioners Robert Storer, Lynn Osborn, Bob Nichols, Robert Combs and Mark Graham voted to

deny the applicant without prejudice, which means the applicant could make changes, come back and seek the commission's approval again at any time.

The owners of Puppy Playland also have the right to file an appeal of the commission's decision to the Town Council.

Dozens of residents living near the site complained at the meeting that having a kennel in their neighborhood would bring added noise, traffic and odor.

"It's not appropriate," said Commissioner Nichols. "It's the wrong place for this use seven days a week."

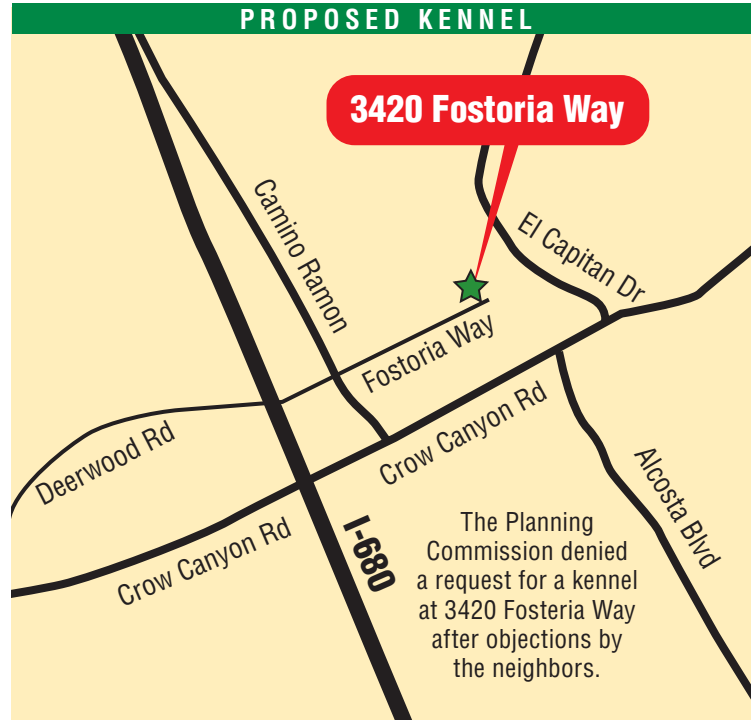
"The property owner has rights



Bulldog Sherman plays with his buddy at Puppy Playland in San Ramon.

and the neighborhood has rights," Storer said. "We had to use good judgment. For me, it was difficult

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The Planning Commission denied a request for a kennel at 3420 Fostoria Way after objections by the neighbors.

## Danville residents join Workforce board

Expertise to provide leadership in county

by **Natalie O'Neill**

If the East Bay economy begins to boom this year residents can, in part, thank two business-minded Danville residents.

The Workforce Development Board of Contra Costa County announced recently that the board will now be headed by Rulon McKay and Bette Felton, who both live in Danville.

McKay is a human resources manager for Shell in Martinez and Felton is the co-owner of Pascal French Oven in Danville. McKay was appointed chairman of the Workforce Development Board and Felton was appointed vice chair. And they both have big ideas about how the county can foster economic growth.

The board offers assistance to job seekers, workers and business-

es, including training programs and hotline information for small business owners. Whether it's helping youths get their first out-of-college job or ensuring experienced professionals make smooth career transitions, their efforts affect all areas of the county—including the affluent.

"What we do for Danville is indirect," Felton said, explaining that filling jobs throughout the county helps employed, high-income professionals as well.

This year the board is making manufacturing, health care and bio technology focal points for its initiatives. In the past year, the board has been working to secure a \$1 million state grant to help train people in manufacturing jobs.

Since nearly every company needs some type of manufactured parts, placing workers in these jobs helps establish a solid economic base, McKay said.

"It's a big basis for economic growth and stability," he said.

Felton pointed out the manufacturing field needs attention because it has been suffering for several reasons.

"We have lost a lot of these jobs overseas with globalization," she said.

Furthermore, there is a common notion that manufacturing jobs are low skill and low paying positions, said board spokeswoman Mary Burroughs.

"That was an old perception," she said.

Despite this common misconception, she said the rise of technology has given way to manufacturing jobs that pay well and employ many college graduates.

The board will also offer training in retail work and help for employees who have been recently laid off. Since business owners in Danville sometimes look outside the community to fill retail and restaurant positions, this benefits them as well, Felton said.

"I always have a need for good people to fill jobs at the bakery. And guess where a lot of my workers come from—Concord," she said.

Workers can also use one-stop career centers through the Workforce Development Board to get extra training, certification and information on transitioning into a new field. Their small business development center also offers help to aspiring entrepreneurs and small companies.

Small business owners in Danville often use hotlines provided by the board to learn about licensing, bookkeeping and finding quality employees. Felton, who will help come up with topics of discussion for the monthly 37-member meetings, said the hotline is most used by Danville residents. The hotline number is 646-5377.

"We are sort of insulated in Danville, people here have jobs already ... but we need (assistance) too," she said.

"It's not just for low income people," McKay said.

In the past year the board has also help dislocated airline workers find jobs in related fields. With American airplane travel having hit a record low in the past five years, many out-of-work airline mechanics benefited from the job training offered.

Executive Director Bob Lanter said Felton's experience in education and Health Care, along with McKay's previous experience on the board and knowledge of manufacturing, makes them highly qualified for their positions.

Felton was an instructor and a dean at California State East Bay and has worked to integrate education with the workforce. McKay has done extensive work in the refinery and manufacturing business.

"Because of Rulon and Bette's dedication to the cause, they can both provide great leadership to the board," Lanter said. ■

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## Zone 36 to meet without county staff

Committee should save \$3,000 per year

by Natalie O'Neill

County staff will have less of a presence at Alamo landscape and lighting committee meetings this year, members said at a recent meetings.

The committee hopes to decrease the amount they spend on county staff from \$18,000 to \$15,000, said Valerie Schooley, chairwoman of Zone 36.

"We are trying to limit our access to them. I think we can do it," she said.

Traditionally, county staff has attended meetings in unincorporated areas to answer questions and bring knowledge about past issues. Schooley said this year the staff will attend quarterly meetings and Zone 36 will soon begin meeting once every two months.

Eric Whan, the county's Senior Civil Engineer who attends the meetings, said cutting down staff time is feasible to some extent. The committee can get questions answered themselves but county staff does bring experience to the table, he said.

"They may not have the historical perspective, and often there are nuances they don't know about," Whan said.

But he added that during the Zone 36 discussion period, it's not necessary for him to be present. It's up to them to make decisions; he just attends to offer research and facts, he said.

"We're just there to support the committee," he said.

Most other committees in unin-

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## Save Mount Diablo dinner nets \$175,000

Four hundred and fifty participants helped raise \$175,000 at "Moonlight on the Mountain," an event organized to celebrate Save Mount Diablo's 35th anniversary. Money from the event will support the nonprofit group's effort to maintain open space and preserve "the natural integrity of the mountain." The event was the biggest fundraising success of the year and was sponsored by Blackhawk-Nunn, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and Chevron.

"Save Mount Diablo builds coalitions across all divides because, despite our occasional differences, we all love Mount Diablo," said Executive Director Ron Brown.

Members and supporters gathered for dinner Sept. 2 at Mt. Diablo State Park to hear President Malcolm Sproul speak on 2006 accomplishments and to announce "Mountain Star Awards." The awards went to California Coastal Conservancy and to the former owners of Young Canyon Property, Pamela Young and David Shaeffer. The Conservancy has invested \$137 million on Bay Area conservation in the past six years and is now partnering with Save Mount Diablo. Young and Shaeffer received the award for donating their land at Mount Diablo to the cause to ensure that it would remain preserved. ■

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## Zone 36

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corporated areas of Contra Costa County call county staff on an "as needed" basis. These groups are free to meet without county staff members as long as the meetings are open and public notices include the time, date and location.

Much like individual contractors, Public Works staff payment comes from the individual areas they assist. Money for Zone 36 stays within that designated area and county staff time benefits this area specifically, not the county at large.

When discussing a project that has already been approved, it's best for the landscape and lighting committee to meet independently, Schooley said. Currently it is putting together an effort to tag trees that are part of the boulevard of trees project. Whan said he won't need to be there for an organizational meeting like this.

When county recommendations and permission are needed, however, his presence can really speed things along, Schooley said.

"Say we need to make weeding at Round Hill happen. Eric takes it back to the office and 'boom,'"

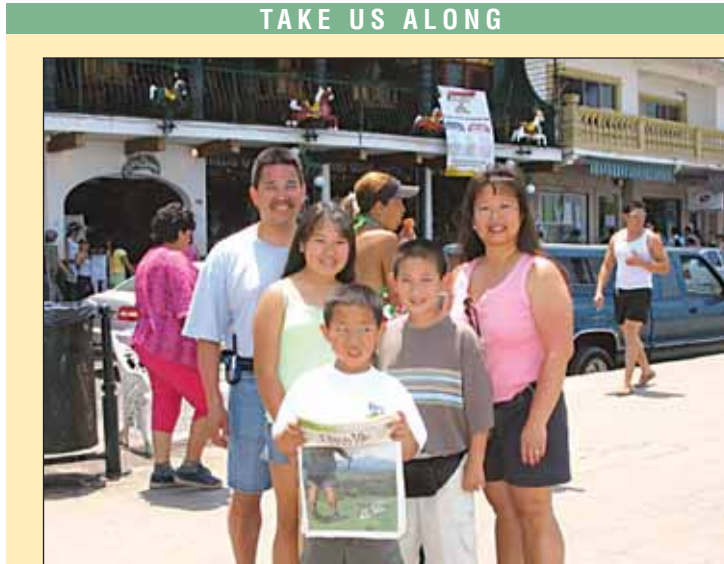
## Yardbirds

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12-foot pre-cast concrete fence seems inappropriate for the location, and pointed out that the service yard will be viewed by many trail users.

"It's one of the most used trails in the county," Gibson said.

When Yardbirds occupied the space, the owners struggled to keep the backyard storage area visually



## Down Mexico way

The Lung family—dad Arthur, Mom Teresa and Nicole, Jeremy and Mitchell—visits Puerto Vallarta while in port on a 10-day cruise aboard the Dawn Princess to the Mexican Riviera over spring break.

Schooley said.

County involvement with Alamo has been a heated subject in the past for Alamo residents. Since Alamo is an unincorporated area, decisions are made by the county as opposed to a town or city council. In turn,

some Alamo residents feel that the county does not best represent the needs of the community.

At Zone 36 meetings, county representatives would not be making decisions, just providing information, Whan said. ■

acceptable and did not retrieve the appropriate business permits.

Trail users often commented about the "junk" outside the back side of the store, saying they could see the merchandise along with a rundown shed.

"We want it to be nice looking," Gibson said.

The back yard is used for storing and loading, will be used more frequently, and will be enlarged. After hearing unhappy sentiments from Alamo residents, Home Depot

dogs at Puppy Playland when they go to work. Dogs get the benefit of interacting with other dogs, and they get exercise and attention while their owners are away.

Staff members walk 10 dogs a day during business hours, once in the morning after breakfast and once in mid afternoon.

"Our clients like it," Barbour said. "This way they can have interactions with other dogs and staff."

"We do not take dogs that are aggressive," he said.

Barbour said he wanted to move into the Danville location because it was bigger.

"It allows us to have a nicer facility," he said.

He noted that the new 6,900-square-foot building would give Puppy Playland air conditioning, a separate place for small and large dogs, a specific area for boarding and grooming, and seamless floors, which make it easier to clean and disinfect urine from the floor.

Sound issues would not be a serious problem and the noise would be mostly confined to the facility, he said. Additionally, his staff would disinfect and take away any droppings left by their dogs outside on a daily basis.

The business is open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, he said.

Danville town staff found that

representatives told AIA they will make another presentation of plans for the next meeting, which will be held this month.

In addition, the sign layout will read Home Depot-Yardbirds in large letters with Home Depot in much smaller white letters. The plans indicated there will be fewer signs and the signs will no longer include the Yardbirds bird caricature.

To find out more about upcoming meetings, visit [www.alamoca.org](http://www.alamoca.org). ■

kennel noise would not make a serious disturbance in the neighborhood, based on Barbour's study, said Danville Principal Planner David Crompton.

"The noise study indicated that there would be no significant impact to the surrounding properties," Crompton said. Staff recommended that traffic and odor would not be significant enough to deny the project either, he noted.

Commissioners Steve Condie and Thomas Moran voted to approve the application.

Moran said his reading of the zone ordinance indicated that the applicant's presentation was consistent with zoning.

"We have a legal obligation to the city and the property fairly based on the evidence presented to us," Condie said.

Storer said he felt Barbour's noise study needed to be longer.

"Fifteen minutes didn't seem like enough time. That time should be revisited," he said, noting that a study should be done during different periods during the day and weekend.

Still, Barbour felt his business fulfills the requirements.

"We met all the criteria as far as zoning," Barbour said. "There is no legal reason why we would be denied."

"We're going to appeal to the City Council," he said. ■

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## Dogs denied

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to justify how we would allow this many animals into a neighborhood that was clearly against it."

"I'm not sure this is the right location," Combs said.

"This (decision) is most difficult," Osborn said.

Puppy Playland owner Jim Barbour said the company spent \$5,000 for a noise study done by engineers and followed all of the legal guidelines that were required in its application.

The noise study was done for 15 minutes at the present kennel in San Ramon, the sound engineer said at the meeting.

"I felt the decision was based on emotion and politics because the (town) staff has supported us since we found the site," Barbour said.

He said he and his wife Robin have been running Puppy Playland for five years on San Ramon Valley Boulevard in San Ramon. The kennel offers boarding seven days a week. It also offers training and grooming. The current facility has a 3,000-square-foot play area, and in the back are 26 kennels that occupy 1,500 square feet.

Barbour said his business gets approximately 25 to 30 dogs a week. He said clients leave their



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# Sports

A LOOK AT THE LOCAL SPORTS SCENE

## On the gridiron tonight

Wolves tempt fate against last year's state champs; Mustangs look for redemption

by Rachel McMurdie

After Week One of league games, Monte Vista and San Ramon Valley high schools remain ranked in the state's top 10, but both teams know it's a long season and anything can happen.

Monte Vista learned the season's first lesson in vulnerability last week when the Foothill Falcons served a dramatic 28-21 win on the Falcons' home field. The rivalry that last year went to the Mustangs, this time fell to the Falcons (4-0, 1-0 EBAL) after Foothill's Josh Mendona completed an 85-yard scoring strike to Ryan Theige, giving Foothill a 28-14 lead in the fourth quarter.

The Mustangs (3-1, 0-1 EBAL), however, were still hopeful for a comeback, and after Drew McAllister's three-yard pass to Ryan Whalen put the Mustangs back within seven and recovered the onside kick, it looked like it might happen. The Falcons, however, were there with the sack, stopping the Mustangs' fourth-quarter hopes flat.

Tonight, the Mustangs will be hungry for an away game win, but still undefeated Cal High (3-0, 1-0 EBAL) will prove a challenge, especially on their home turf.

San Ramon Valley, meanwhile, will host last year's State Championship contenders Irvington High School. Both teams take the field undefeated and both were the undefeated champions of their respective leagues. This year, however, it's the Wolves that seem to carry the steam. San Ramon Valley ranked in at No. 8 in the Bay Area by Cal-Hi Sports before last Friday's 47-7 win over Granada. Irvington, also with a win last week, just made the cusp of the rankings Top 20.

Varsity games start tonight at 7 p.m.

### Girls Golf

Adding another win to their already dominant season, Monte Vista's lady golfers defeated San Ramon Valley 220-286 in Tuesday's rival golf match at Round Hill Country Club. Monte Vista's Jane Lee led the way, shooting a 2-over-par 37, followed closely by teammate Jordan Ontiveros with a 38. Becky Miller of Monte Vista and Cait Pickavance of San Ramon Valley rounded out the top four, with a 48 and 49 respectively.

Later in the week, Lee and Ontiveros lead Monte Vista to a 222-262 win over Foothill. The Mustangs league record improved to 6-1 after the game. Pickavance and San Ramon Valley teammate Kashnee Naidoo lead the Wolves (3-4) to a 284-291 win over Granada.

### Girls Tennis

Both San Ramon Valley and Monte Vista girls tennis teams



Junior Dustin Coldren, No. 80, makes the catch for the Monte Vista Mustangs in their fourth quarter against the Foothill Falcons last Friday, which ended in a dramatic 28-21 win for the Falcons on their own field.

swept opponents in last week's games. The Wolves (4-0), led by singles players Melissa Hirsh and Brittany Solomon, defeated Cal (1-3) 9-0. Monte Vista's squad defeated Livermore High, in another 9-0 win Thursday. Elena Cadent and Joelle Luedecke led the Mustangs singles matches while Laura Guire and Jackie Murray teamed up on doubles for Mustang wins all around.

### Girls Volleyball

San Ramon Valley lady volleyball players opened the league season last week with a 3-0 win over Granada. The Wolves (2-0, 1-0 EBAL) played a tight first game keeping the Matadors (4-3, 0-2 EBAL), to just 8 points. In the second game, Granada came within 2 but San Ramon took the win again 26-24, before a final 25-14 game. Amy Mulligan led the Wolves with 14 kills, three blocks and two aces.

At the other end of town, Monte Vista's tough season openers went sour. Monte Vista head coach Jeremy Swann had hoped Tuesday's opener against Foothill would be a chance for his team to regain footing against the team that bumped the Mustangs out of NCS last year in a third-round game that his team had within reach. Instead, the 0-3 Falcon win was a hard reminder that there's still a long way to go. The Mustangs went 12-25, 15-25 before a close 26-28 game three. Even with the loss, several Mustangs shined. Juliana Oldroyd earned 10 kills and 8 digs. Jennifer Sabato lent 10 assists and Jacqueline Cowden had 3 kills, 3 aces.

The Mustangs finished the week 0-2 in league after a hard-fought 1-3 loss against San Ramon's Cal High in games that went 26-24, 21-25, 25-21 and 28-26, in the Grizzlies' favor.

### Boys Water Polo

San Ramon Valley boys took

a relentless 20-1 victory over Foothill last week, thanks to a powerful offensive line. Wolves David Hasselfeld and George Moore each had four goals. Matthew DeSoto and Porter Kalbus each had three goals, and five other teammates had one goal or more. The Wolves head into this week's games with an 8-2, 5-0 record. ■

E-mail results and photos to [sports@DanvilleWeekly.com](mailto:sports@DanvilleWeekly.com).

## PREP SCHEDULE

### Friday, Oct. 6

**Football:** Monte Vista at Cal High, 7 p.m.; San Ramon Valley vs. Irvington, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, Oct. 7

**Cross Country:** Jim Danner Invite at Blue Lake Park Gresham, Ore.

### Tuesday, Oct. 10

**Girls Tennis:** San Ramon Valley at Granada, 3:45 p.m.; Monte Vista vs. Foothill, 3:45 p.m.

**Water Polo:** Monte Vista vs. Cal High, 3:45 p.m.

**Girls Volleyball:** Monte Vista at Livermore, 6 p.m.; San Ramon Valley vs. Cal High, 6 p.m.

**Girls Golf:** Monte Vista at Granada, 3:30 p.m.; San Ramon Valley vs. Amador, 3:30 p.m.

### Thursday, Oct. 12

**Girls Tennis:** Monte Vista vs. Cal High, 3:45 p.m.

**Water Polo:** San Ramon Valley at Livermore, 3:45 p.m.; Monte Vista at Amador, 3:45 p.m.

**Girls Volleyball:** San Ramon Valley at Foothill, 6 p.m.

**Girls Golf:** Monte Vista vs. Livermore, 3:30 p.m.; San Ramon Valley at Cal High, 3:30 p.m.

### Friday, Oct. 13

**Football:** San Ramon Valley vs. Livermore, 7 p.m.; Monte Vista vs. Amador, 7 p.m.

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# Perspective

EDITORIALS • LETTERS • OPINIONS ABOUT LOCAL ISSUES

**LETTERS**

**Ephesus is in Turkey**

Dear Editor:

I've just had an opportunity to look through last week's Danville Weekly and noticed an error on your "Take Us Along" page. I, too, went to Ephesus this summer, which is located in Turkey, not Greece, and walked through the very same ruins. Ephesus was the richest city of its time and was under the Roman rule, hence the architecture. I'm sure many people would be surprised by its rich history, I know I was.

Despite the fact that I did not send in a picture of my own (I was on crutches), I think you owe it to your readers as well as present day Ephesians to get it right.

*Trisha L. Marmo, Danville*

**Great town, great people**

Dear Editor:

I wanted to share with you just one of the reasons I live in this wonderful town. It's the people.

I was shopping at the farmers market this past Saturday and had my hands full of bags. While putting these bags into the back of my car, I evidently dropped my wallet in the parking lot. I drove to the Art in the Park to take a look around and realized then that my wallet was gone. I searched my car and my bags several times, then drove back to the farmers market to retrace my steps. I was very upset and went home to cancel everything.

About an hour later, my doorbell rang and there, standing at my door, was a lovely couple who said they had found my wallet in the parking lot. They did a lot of legwork trying to find me but eventually came to my home to return my wallet. I could not thank them enough. I am so grateful to them. But that's just the type of people we have living in our community.

So, let me say again to them: "Thank you from the bottom of my heart."

*Marilyn Elkins, Danville*

**Light type is a disturbing trend**

Dear Editor:

I wanted to read the article on page 18 last week in the Living section about the artist, but decid-

ed it would entail way too much effort to try and decipher light type against a murky background.

Who decides these things? I recently received a national magazine that had white print against a light peach background, producing a huge glare.

Is it for artistic effect, or drama? How about just good old plain black type that is easy to read. Does the author have a say in this?

I find it to be a disturbing trend.

*Beth Gardner, Danville*

**Problems on Stone Valley Road**

Dear Editor:

I thought it would be a benefit to the community if your publication would publish the letter I sent to District 3 Supervisor Mary N. Piepho. We all drive over the rutted road but by living with the problem we become insensitive to its condition and overlook the hazard.

Dear Supervisor Piepho:

This letter is a request for you to provide supervisory oversight to the dangerous state of Stone Valley Road adjacent to Monte Vista High School. Stone Valley Road now represents a safety hazard to the neighbors and to the young drivers being brought into the neighborhood by the parking lot.

There was an enormous amount of work done just before school opened. The curbs and the traffic light were installed. Makeshift paving was done on Stone Valley Road but as soon as the school lot was accessible, all work ceased, leaving Stone Valley Road in a hazardous state:

- For weeks, traffic cones have been in place adjacent to Monte Sereno Drive for no apparent reason.
- The south side of Stone Valley road is also coned off near the entrance to the original parking lot, indicating that there is unfinished work there, too.
- Stone Valley Road has such deep gouges in it that it is difficult to negotiate the turn from Stone Valley Road west onto Monte Sereno Drive.
- Most drivers avoid the rutted left turn lane, making an abrupt and dangerous left turn onto Monte Sereno Drive.
- Deep ruts exist in Stone Valley Road westbound from the school

parking lot and extend west by several hundred yards.

• A poorly repaved and substantially sunken excavation site extends the width of Stone Valley Road west of the high school.

• Manhole covers stand inches above the grade, adding to the hazard.

All of these items are opportunities for a traffic accident. It is difficult to negotiate the road and guide a vehicle straight through the ruts without being pushed left of center or off the road.

Supervisor Piepho, I urge you to be proactive and take action on this situation. Please direct the county to promptly eliminate the hazards by finishing the road work they have abandoned. Your action may save the lives of students that drive through this problematic road every day.

*Lawrence B. Levit, Ph.D.*

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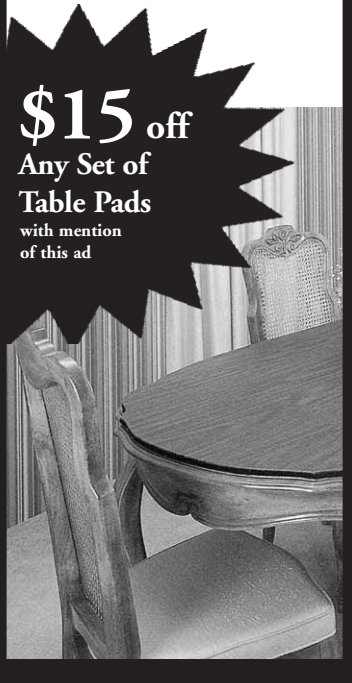
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**POLICE BULLETIN**

**Items worth \$10,000 stolen from home**

An estimated \$10,000 worth of items was stolen from a Danville home on Fountain Springs Circle last Saturday, said Danville police Sgt. Troy Craig. Apparently, the homeowners left their back doors unlocked when they left for a soccer game, he said.

"They probably just forgot to lock the doors," Craig said.

Craig said the residential burglary occurred between 9 a.m. and noon, Saturday, Sept. 30. When the family members arrived back at their home, they called the police immediately.

The burglars stole a liquid crystal display television, a video camera, a regular camera, a briefcase and a wallet. The suspect or suspects also took jewelry, including small diamonds, gold and sterling

silver. Additionally, they stole personal pendants such as pins and charms collected from life experiences, according to the report.

"The majority of our property crimes are crimes of opportunity," Craig said, noting that people travel to the community and look to steal property to resell or use.

"They don't see the effect on the people they are taking from," he said.

Craig said the police have collected some information from the incident.

"We do have some evidence," he said. "Right now, we are waiting for the results of the evidence, if we can go any further with it."

Craig suggested that homeowners might want to inform neighbors if they are leaving their homes or lock their doors and make sure their property is secure during outings.

—Jordan M. Doronila

**OBITUARIES**

**Robert 'Bob' L. DaSilva Jr.**

Robert "Bob" L. DaSilva Jr., 46, a former resident of Danville, died Sept. 22 with his family at his side. He was born Jan. 29, 1960, in San Lorenzo, the son of Robert DaSilva Sr. and Diane DaSilva, who preceded him in death.

He is remembered as kind, smart, adventurous, a risk-taker, generous, thoughtful, witty, funny and compassionate.

He is survived by his wife Dee DaSilva; two daughters Jamie and Kristina, both of Danville; sister and brother-in-law Suzie and Mike Fiedor; niece Lisa Cunningham of Livermore; aunts Carrie Lesley of Stockton and Loretta Silva of Bullhead City, Ariz.; father- and mother-in-law, Jerry and Shirley

Gillum of Kirksville, Mo.; sister-in-law, Vicky Halstead of LaPlata, Mo.; and extended family in Stockton and Kirksville.

A memorial in celebration of his life will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14, at the DaSilva residence; telephone 736-6212.

**Maxwell Jay Epstein**

Alamo resident Maxwell Jay Epstein, passed away Sept. 28 at the age of 77.

He was born March 14, 1929, in Chicago and graduated from the University of Illinois in 1951. He then entered the U.S. Air Force and became a fighter pilot in the Korean War from 1952 to 1957. He moved to Oakland in 1959 and to Alamo in 1976.

He was the founder of American

Compensation Service, an insurance and financial services firm, and thoroughly enjoyed working, until August when he could no longer physically come into the office. He also enjoyed flying, salmon fishing, storytelling, working, conversation, playing cards and attending the 52 Baker Fighter pilot reunions, as well as his family.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Skippy (Arlene); daughter Rickie (Lawrence Ellison) Epstein; son Michael (Simone) Epstein; and daughter Sharon Patty; grandchildren Daniel and Michael Patty, and Savannah and Gabrielle Epstein; brother Joseph (Shirley) Belmont; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services were held Oct. 3 at the Reutlinger Community for Jewish Living, and donations can be made to Reutlinger.

**POLICE LOG**

**Monday, Sept. 25**

- Vandalism on Brookside Dr. at 11:11 a.m.
- Suspicious circumstances on Hartz Ave. at 11:20 a.m.
- Trespassing on Cedar Hollow Dr. at 11:27 a.m.
- Petty theft, all other, on Crown Canyon Rd. at 12:17 p.m.

**Tuesday, Sept. 26**

- Suspicious circumstances on Old Orchard Ct. at 8:43 a.m.
- Commercial burglary on Camino Tassajara at 8:59 a.m.
- Credit card fraud on San Ramon Valley Blvd. at 8:56 p.m.

**Wednesday, Sept. 27**

- Prescription drugs forgery on Camino Tassajara at 8:38 a.m.
- Vandalism on Holbrook Dr. at 9:43 a.m.
- Auto burglary on El Capitan Dr. at 6:23 p.m.
- Felony driving under the influence (DUI), arrest, on Hartz Ave. at 11:53 p.m.

**Thursday, Sept. 28**

- Misdemeanor, other, on Love Ln. at 11:46 a.m.
- Probation violation, arrest, on Railroad Ave. and School St. at 11:44 a.m.

**Friday, Sept. 29**

- Misdemeanor hit-and-run on Camino Tassajara and Crow Canyon Rd. at 10:47 a.m.
- Drunk in public, arrest, on Hartz Ave. at 12:47 p.m.
- Accident, property damage, on Camino Tassajara and Rassani Dr. at 4:20 p.m.

- Auto burglary on El Capitan Dr. at 6:36 p.m.

**Saturday, Sept. 30**

- DUI, arrest, on San Ramon Valley Blvd. and Sycamore Valley Rd. at 2:23 a.m.
- DUI, arrest, on El Cerro Blvd. and Enterprise Dr. at 5:03 a.m.
- Suspicious circumstances on Club Terrace at 1:23 p.m.

**Sunday, Oct. 1**

- DUI, arrest, on Hartz Ave. and Hartz Way at 12:39 a.m.
- Accident, property damage, on Diablo Rd. and El Cerro Blvd. at 8:08 a.m.

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# Legion of memories

From chorus lines to crab feeds: Where does the Veterans Hall go from here?

by Geoff Gillette

Although Danville is no longer the rural community it was 80 years ago, it still retains a small-town feel. The farmers market, Hot August Nights, the Kiwanis Fourth of July parade all add to that sense of being an intimate community. Also key is the Veterans Memorial Building, which has stood for decades at the corner of Hartz and Prospect avenues.

Much as when it was first established in 1925, the Veterans Hall (or the Legion Hall, as some call it) provides a gathering place downtown. Seniors, motorcycle groups and exercise classes are only a few of the activities that take place within those walls on any given day.

## Back in the day

The Veterans Hall came about after World War I, known as the Great War. After the war's end, Congress mandated that states would have to provide Veterans Halls in all their counties to commemorate the service and sacrifice of the country's veterans. According to the Contra Costa Courier and Danville Journal of Oct. 1, 1924, the Danville Veterans Memorial Hall was built using a fund apportioned by the board of supervisors. The cost of constructing the two-story building with an auditorium in 1924 was \$18,000.

The building opened with a dedication ceremony on April 2, 1925. In order to help furnish the new structure, the Mt. Diablo Post of the American Legion held a series of monthly "dollar dances." People would come from throughout the Bay Area to attend. Dancing went on all night with supper being served by the women of the Legion Auxiliary at midnight.

This tradition lasted well into the 1930s. Several dances were held each month at different locations, but the Saturday was always held at the Danville Vets Hall. An article in the 1941 Walnut Kernel talked about the Danville post's monthly events as one of the oldest continuing series of dances in Contra Costa County.

"On the first Saturday of each month, the post and women's auxiliary have an old time dance where middle-aged folk may enjoy the polka, schottische, mazurka, danish polka, tye waltz, two step, three step, quadrille, lancers and other dances they learned when children," it stated.

Mildred Ferreira's family moved to Danville in 1941 when she was a teenager, and she remembers the excitement of the Saturday night dances at the hall.

"Oh, it was the social thing to do. It was a pretty social town back then, so there wasn't a lot to do so everything in the community went," she said. "The orchestra came from Livermore. Everybody went to the legion and if you didn't have a date you went anyway and danced with everybody."

The dances began to wane until the late 1940s when the Veterans Hall saw a resurgence after World War II in the form of the Legion Follies.

"My husband (Leland Ferreira) was the first commander after WWII," said Ferreira. "That was around December of 1945. Not long after the war, they started doing the follies. It was a way for them to get together and laugh. They sang, they told jokes. The boys were dressed up as showgirls. It was a help for all the young men who got old after the war."

The follies were held each spring starting in 1946. The men would get together and perform songs, dances, playing the parts of both men and women. Ferreira said the women helped in preparing the skits, but when it was show time, it was all men.

"The women made the costumes," she recalled. "I was a little baby at the time, but I helped iron the clothes and sew some costumes."

Ferreira said the follies were a good thing for all the veterans returning from the war and it also became an intrinsic part of Danville.

"It was a town thing and the town really got into it. They printed up programs, took pictures, it was something to see," she said.

Danville resident Gary Soto also remembers the Legion Follies. Both his father and uncle took part in them.

"I was only 12 or 13 at the time but I remember the way they dressed, the way they expressed themselves. I'll never forget it," he said.

The follies featured chorus lines, theatrical pieces and even live animals. One skit required the use of a dog on stage. The follies lasted well into the 1950s.

As so many buildings did in the early days, the hall wore multiple hats. An article from the San Francisco Chronicle from the late 1920s said the Danville Veterans Hall also served as the home of the town library and

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The Danville Veterans Memorial Building remains open for activities, even after 80 years. Top photo: Ken Witte (left) and Harry Soto sing and dance in the 1948 American Legion Follies, in which veterans would take both men's and women's roles (photo courtesy Museum of the San Ramon Valley). Center: A photo of John Boswell, a Danville native and high school teacher imprisoned in Japan during World War II, hangs in a room named after him. Bottom: Tony Carnemolla, a trustee of the Memorial Building.

Community Chamber of Commerce. As the population grew, the library became too small and was eventually moved from the Veterans Hall in 1961.

Through the years, the hall also housed the county supervisor's offices during the 1970s; served as a courtroom for Justice of the Peace Calhoun in the upper floor; and provided a meeting place for American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, plus dozens of other groups.

**What about now?**

That tradition of using the Veterans Hall to house groups and meetings continues on unabated. If anything, the use of the hall has grown over the years, becoming a true hub of the community located in the heart of downtown.

VFW Post 75, American Legion Post 246, the Blue Star Moms and the Vietnam Veterans of Diablo Valley use the facility frequently. Meetings are held there monthly, as well as periodic fundraisers, such as crab feeds and banquets.

An ongoing partnership with the Town of Danville opened up the hall to parks and recreation activities, such as karate, Tai Chi, piano, theater, Spanish, aerobics, strength training and yoga. There are also classes held on estate planning, child safety, belly dancing, square dancing and even rehearsals by the Role Players theatrical group.

Senior activities also play a large role in the current configuration of the Veterans Hall.

"We see a number of senior uses here," said Danville Mayor Karen Stepper. The Senior Citizen's Club meets every week for bridge, bingo and lunch.

On top of all that, the Veterans Hall can be rented for birthdays, anniversaries, weddings and banquets. Legion Post 246 member Chuck Brydon said that there is constant activity at the hall.

"Between the seniors groups, the town and our own events, we're pretty busy here most of the time," he said.

**What the heck is upstairs?**

Most who visit the Veterans Hall stay on the first floor, since that is where the main hall is located. Besides the sitting room to the right past the front doors and the auditorium itself, many people never realize there's more to the hall than just the first floor.

Others, however, ask, "What is on the second floor?"

Tony Carnemolla and Mac McCuskey are the trustees of the Veterans Hall and they say the answer isn't anything too glamorous or exciting. A tour of the second story of the building revealed ... a store room.

"This is where a lot of the groups who use the hall keep their stuff," McCuskey said. "There's things there for the Blue Star Moms." Craft supplies, boxes, extra tables and a rack to hang uniforms fill the first of the two upstairs rooms.

The second room proved to be a bit more spacious.

"This is where we hold our officers meetings," Carnemolla said. "We can't hold membership meetings up here because it's too small. We'd have to use the auditorium for it if we were having a full meeting."

The meeting room has tables and folding chairs and a small coatroom off to one side. Carnemolla said that when the Justice of the Peace was stationed in the hall, this was where he held court.

While the upstairs of the Veterans Hall may have lacked any overall mystery, it's not without its own magic.

Danville Vice Mayor Mike Shimansky said that each Christmastime when the children of Danville line up to sit on the lap of Santa, the jolly old elf emerges from the upstairs.

"None of the kids see Santa come in," said Shimansky. "He always comes down from up here."

**Where do we go from here?**

The future of the Veterans Memorial Building remains undecided for now. Carnemolla, McCuskey and Brydon all say the building cannot stay as it is. Substandard wiring, plumbing and infrastructure all need to be addressed and the building itself must be brought up to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Officials have begun to discuss the possibilities, and plans are already in motion that will lead down one of two paths. On one hand, the building could remain

where it is on Hartz Avenue and undergo massive renovations. On the other hand, a new site could be chosen and a new, larger facility constructed.

For the past 14 months, a committee has been meeting to hash out the future of the hall. Mayor Stepper and Vice Mayor Shimansky are on the committee, along with Brydon, McCuskey, Carnemolla, Legion Post Commander Doris Sidwell and several others. Committee Chairman Tom Hawkins said the committee grew out of an ongoing coffee klatch to discuss town issues.

"We got to talking about what needs to be done with the Veterans Hall and it just sort of grew from there," Hawkins recalled.

This is not the first time attempts have been made to update the hall. Brydon said in 1998 the town looked at what would need to be done to bring the hall up to code. At the time, officials were estimating that just the bare essentials would cost around \$1 million.

Brydon said that based on the talks the committee has been having, all signs point away from renovation and toward the need for a bigger building on a larger piece of property.

"From an economic standpoint there's just not enough space to meet the needs of all the groups that use this building," Brydon said.

Stepper agreed.

"I've spoken to three different seniors in the past week who've all asked when they're going to get a better facility," she said.

The recent construction of a brand new hall serving Walnut Creek and Lafayette is helping to fuel thoughts of new construction.

"We're talking to the project manager on the Lafayette building and trying to get some ideas on what it would cost us to do this," said Hawkins.

Committee members still are examining all possibilities, but at this point it is looking more and more likely that they will be moving toward a sale of the current site and construction of a new building elsewhere in Danville.

Brydon said it would be impractical to build the facility they need on that site. New plans call for room for more veteran related activities and services.

"You'd need a three-and-a-half story building," he said. "Would you want a three-and-a-half story building on Hartz Avenue?"

While the cost of renovating the building may be prohibitive, a new facility is not expected to be cheap either. Plans currently call for a 14,400-square-foot single-story building. Hawkins said they do not have solid cost estimates but records show the new Lafayette/Walnut Creek Veterans Hall cost around \$600 per square foot. At that rate, such a facility would cost around \$8.6 million dollars, not including land costs.

Hawkins said they are unsure what they could get for the property at Hartz and Prospect.

"I've had several appraisals done. Some as low as \$1.5 million and some as high as \$5 million," he said.

Complicating the situation is the fact that the Legion and VFW don't have title to the property. Under legislation passed in 1989, the Posts act as trustees of the land, but title is held by Contra Costa County. Thus, any sale of the property would have to be approved by the county and any land purchased would still be held by the county.

Add to all that the contingent in town who would like to see the building on Hartz Avenue preserved for its historic value. Beverly Lane, curator of the Museum of San Ramon Valley, went before the Town Council at a recent meeting asking them to work to spare the site.

"Danville has made some extraordinary efforts to preserve the downtown, particularly the public buildings," said Lane. "I know the veterans groups see this beautiful building (in Lafayette) but if you look, you see neither of them (Walnut Creek or Lafayette) has a historic downtown."

She added, "Pleasanton is analogous to Danville, and they are renovating their Veterans Hall."

Committee members are expected to begin seeking state and federal assistance in the next few weeks. Hawkins said they are amassing funding packets and plan to send them to government agencies to begin the process of seeking grants for the project. Brydon added that a fund is being set up which will allow local residents and businesses to donate as well.

Whether they are able to preserve the bricks and mortar of their current location, the members of the veterans groups are looking forward to preserving that feeling of community by keeping up with their traditions and events, regardless of the street address of their Veterans Hall. ■

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## A Shinto wedding

Traditional Japanese ceremony launches Danville marriage

by Jordan M. Doronila



Bob Leek wears a Hakama and Patti Landrum dons a Kimono for their marriage ceremony in Kyoto, Japan.

Kindness to strangers and sincere courtesy from the Japanese left a lasting impression on a Danville couple who married in Japan in August.

After climbing to the top of Mount Fuji, trudging through language differences, spending more than \$3,000, and waiting patiently to get their marriage approved by Japanese officials, Danville residents Bob Leek and Patti Landrum finally got the OK to get married in the Land of the Rising Sun—Shinto style—over the summer.

Shintoism is one of Japan's ancient religions, and Shinto weddings are the country's traditional wedding ceremonies.

Local Japanese residents flocked to see the American couple during their wedding ceremony and took pictures. Kyoto's local television news station even covered the marriage, Keel said.

The Japanese behaved with such politeness and helped them get married despite their cultural differences because they appreciated the efforts to understand their language and country.

"They're very kind to foreigners," said Patti Landrum, who is a nurse and a case manager at San Ramon Regional Medical Center.

"Their thinking is: 'I am a very important part of the machine in this country. Without me, this country will break.'"

"That's the thing that struck me the most," said Keel, who is a physical therapist. "Whatever their occupation was, they threw their entire spirit into it."

The desire and decision to get married in Japan was spawned from Keel's goal to climb Mount Fuji, his Jujitsu background (he has a fourth-degree black belt), and Landrum's yearning to travel outside the U.S. They met and got to know each other after working together three years ago.

Keel taught classes to some of Landrum's nurses. Shortly afterward, they got to know each other at lunch, in addition to their interactions at work. Later on, they decided to get married.

Earlier in the year, they e-mailed a Web master who worked for a Japanese dating service, asking if they could get married in Japan. Misao Ishitani, the Web master, told them she did not know. They thought that only Japanese citizens could get married in Japan.

However, Ishitani asked some of her friends, who were influential in business, if Americans could have a wedding in Japan. After several months, Ishitani said it was a possibility.

Before traveling, the Danville couple climbed Mount Whitney to prepare for trekking Mount Fuji. Then they packed their bags and flew to Japan in July.

First, they visited the American Embassy in Tokyo to get permission to marry. Embassy officials then sent them to the city's Minato Ward to fill out forms. Finally, after the necessary paperwork, Japanese officials gave their approval.

Officially, they were now married. After receiving approval, they climbed Mount Fuji the next day. Surrounding the bottom of the mountain were trees, water and soft leaves. In the middle were bushes, and at the top was a misty fog that swirled above nicotine plants and people who watched the sunrise.

They recalled their climb up the moun-

tain's slopes, which had clambering rock formations, paths and occasional steps. They used single hardwood staffs to climb and passed birds, bracken, Alpine plants and bushes as they made their journey upward.

They passed through several Shinto Torii gates and saw coins in the cracks of the gates' posts from other climbers, placed there for good luck. They arrived at the top of the volcano and saw blackness in the area before making their way downward on gravel paths.

The following day, the couple went to Kyoto to meet with members of the Watabe Wedding Corp.—one of the biggest wedding planners in Japan. Ishitani and her friends guided them through the native rituals and helped translate the Japanese words into English.

"We were practically adopted," Keel said. "It was very touching."

In Kyoto, Patti rented a red, eight-pound formal kimono to wear at the wedding. Red is the traditional color that Japanese women use. Bob wore a black Hakama, which were worn by Samurai in the 1600s.

Kimonos are made from handmade silk and stitched together with twine. They range from \$600 to \$15,000.

"All the layers are amazing," Landrum said. "It's very interesting."

After donning Japanese attire, they went to a waiting room at the Kamo-wake-ikazuchi-Jinja shrine in the Kita Ward



The Danville couple walks to the altar behind a Japanese priest who performed Shinto rituals for their marriage.

of Kyoto for their wedding ceremony. The shrine—dedicated to one of the 800 Shinto gods—is the oldest in the ancient city.

"I was padded up," said Landrum, noting the weather was warm.

The fitters said Keel was too skinny and that having a large stomach is a symbol of success and solidness in Japan. To compensate for his lack of breadth, they stuffed him with sheets beneath his Hakama.

When they arrived at the shrine, they were greeted by locals who wanted to take their picture.

"It was like two Martians married at Grace Cathedral," Keel said.

Led by the Shinto priest and his female assistant, they walked to an altar where musicians played a flute and a large drum. Because of the male's dominance in Japan, the priest walked first and his assistant followed him, Keel said.

At the altar, they followed the priest's instructions and performed Shinto rituals such as clapping their hands and picking up two branches apiece. They transferred

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**\$30**

### Xenia's Meatloaf

With tomato sauce, and smashed potatoes. Choice of Caesar or butter lettuce salad or seasonal vegetables.  
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# Epicure

BY JACQUI LOVE MARSHALL



## Not your average brew

October spells Oktoberfests—at least throughout the Midwest and East Coast regions—so I thought it was timely to pay homage to beers and the people who create specialty beers in the Bay Area.

The first Oktoberfest event was in October 1810 in Munich, Bavaria, Germany, to celebrate the wedding of the Bavarian Crown Prince. Beer lovers around the world look forward to the October event, which includes lots of German food and music. In California, you're more likely to encounter "microbrews" than German beers but beer lovers won't care about my writing motivation. Either way, they'll raise their glasses to offer a toast to the mighty beer.

My Jamaica-born husband grew up drinking Red Stripe, but he has become a beer aficionado (of sorts) ever since we built an outdoor grill and added a beer tap. For me, a beer was just a beer and any kind would suffice. That is, until he started putting microbrews in that outdoor tap. Suddenly, I experienced with beer what we did when we moved to California and discovered how flavors in wines varied with the grapes, vintners, harvest years, regions, etc. Now, with a few microbrews under my belt, I have a newfound appreciation for the art of making craft beers. And speaking of art, most microbrewers claim to adhere to the strict laws of Bavarian beer purity—created by Bavarian Duke Wilhelm in the 16th century—still leaving room for wide variations in roasting, grain-drying and fermentation processes ... and ultimate taste.

Microbrews or craft beers have grown in production and popularity over the last few decades. In 1976, California repealed Prohibition-era laws against home-brewing and micro-brewing. In 1983, the state was the first to repeal outdated laws forbidding the sale of beer in breweries. At [www.beernewsletter.com](http://www.beernewsletter.com), the rise in popularity is explained by John Lennon, CEO of Pyramid Breweries. "The beer-drinking consumer is really changing," he said. Older beer drinkers have gotten more sophisticated, and people 21 and over just coming into the beer market are starting out drinking craft beer and imports. "They're looking for more variety and flavor," he said. "It's why they go to Peet's or Starbucks for coffee. They can get their coffee 21 different ways." And, the added benefit of knowing that your beer has only traveled a few yards from brewery to tap instead of across thousands of miles in a bottle makes the experience very up-close-and-personal. Given Californians' penchant for sourcing and personalizing their food and drink ("make mine a vanilla latte with soy milk"), it makes perfect sense to me that microbrews would find favor here.

And, you ask, just how is beer created from grain? Malted barley grains are partly germinated, then dried. Lightly toasted grains produce pale beers; heavily toasted ones generate dark beers like stout. Sometimes unmalted barley is darkly roasted to create nutty, dark beer. When the barley is wetted and dried for a second time, red beers are created. After roasting, the grains are

crushed and mixed with water to create "mash." Enzymes present in the grain separate the starch from a sweet portion known as "wort." The wort is strained and boiled, then hops—a dried green plant bud that carries the beer's familiar aroma and bitter taste—are added for preservation and flavor. The wort is cooked, strained and cooled, and yeast is added to launch the fermentation process. Early fermentation (two to seven days) creates a "green beer," which is sealed and cooled for longer fermentation (usually 2 weeks). With microbrews, the finished beer is pumped from the brewery tanks straight to the tap.

As microbreweries have increased, brewpubs—venues where beers are brewed and consumed, along with food—have also taken off. Today, California is home to about 30 brewpubs, nearly a third of all U.S. brewpubs. Recently, we've seen the emergence of beer cuisine to accompany the microbrews. My guess is that Californians will also invent a new celebration for the expanding wealth of microbrews and their foods. Brewfests????

So, if you're thinking about becoming a brewmaster, brewmeister, "brewru" ... or just a more frequent beer consumer, Epicure has compiled a resource list to help you along. Just promise to keep the burping (you know what I really mean) to a minimum, please!

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## Local breweries

**Devil Mountain Brewery**, 850 S. Broadway, Walnut Creek, 935-2337: Owner Greg Jones converted a train station into a brewery and brewpub with live music and an extensive menu. It offers three award-winning beers—Railroad Ale, Iron Horse Ale and Devil's Brew.

**E.J. Phair Brewing Company & Alehouse**, 2151 Salvio St., Suite L, Concord, 691-4253: It makes 12-plus varieties of beer. I like their Indian Pale Ale, which is an award winner. The brewpub has a strong food menu; you can also get a tour of the brewery.

**Hop Yard American Alehouse & Grill**, 3015 Hopyard Rd., Suite H, Pleasanton, 426-9600; and 470 Market Place, San Ramon, 277-9600: Hop Yard beers are made in the Pleasanton location under the Hop Town label. The pub menu has all the traditional fare, and offers a dart room and free root beer for non-alcoholic imbibers.

**Pacific Coast Brewing Company**, 906 Washington St. Oakland, (510) 836-2739: Its popular brews are Orca Porter, Grey Whale Ale, Blue Whale Ale, Killer Whale Stout, Code Blue Barleywine and the semi-regular Yellow Jacket Ale. The pub fare has an English bent, e.g., Cornish pasties and sausages.

**Pleasanton Main Street Brewery**, 830 Main St., Pleasanton, 462-8218: It offers four house beers on tap; the brew pub is a local hangout for watching TV sports on Sundays. It also offers traditional beer "grub" and Tuesday has a special \$2 beers and tacos. Alas, it doesn't sell kegs but it does sell a four-pint beer jug that can be stored in the refrigerator for seven days, if it lasts that long.

**Pyramid Alehouse, Brewery & Restaurant**, 1410 Locust St., Walnut Creek, 946-1520: It has two Bay Area locations—Walnut Creek and Berkeley. Great appetizers and pizza, although I hear the chicken wings is the item to order. The brewpub in WC offers live music; the Berkeley beer garden offers outdoor movies.

**Triple Rock Brewery & Alehouse**, 1920 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, (510) 843-2739: Appealing to its UC Berkeley customers, it makes a dozen or so beers but its popular Monkey Head Arboreal Ale, with 8 percent alcohol content, is sold Thursday evenings. From the pub side, you can peer through windows to see the brew works. Kegs are available for sale for parties but are not available at Bay Area stores.

**Trumer Brauerei Berkeley**, 1404 Fourth St., Berkeley, California, (510) 426-1160: In 2005, Golden Pacific started

producing in the U.S. Trumer Pils, a Bohemian pilsner originally brewed by a small family operation in Salzburg, Austria. Since then, Trumer's has become a popular and multiple award-winning local beer. I like it a lot!

## Buy microbrews locally

- Beer, Beer and More Beer, 995 Detroit Ave., Unit G, Concord: E. J. Phair
- BevMo, Danville: E.J. Phair, Hop Town Ale
- Bo's BBQ, Lafayette: an extensive offering of local, domestic and foreign beers
- East Bay Funardi's: Pyramid
- East Bay Safeways: Hop Town Ale
- East Bay Whole Foods: E.J. Phair

## Bay Area Oktoberfests

- San Francisco Oktoberfest: Oct. 12-15, Fort Mason Center, features beer, foods, Bavarian Band, dancing and singing performances. (888) 746-7522
- Campbell, CA's Oktoberfest: Oct. 21(10 a.m.-6 p.m.) & Oct. 22 (10 a.m.- 5 p.m.), downtown Campbell: draws 40,000-plus attendees, Spaten Beer, Arts & Crafts vendors. (408) 378-6252

# Presenting the Past

BY BEVERLY LANE

## 'Happiness is a freeway to the San Ramon Valley'

This headline appeared in the Contra Costa Times in December 1964: "Happiness Is a Freeway to the San Ramon Valley." Reporter Donald Brand wrote, "it's a time for great joy and jubilation (because) one of the Bay Area's worst continuing traffic jams is over." The new freeway from Walnut Creek to Danville had just opened.

After World War II, California's population swelled, and young families looked to the East Bay for affordable homes. A 1940 Valley population of 2,120 grew to 41,095 people in 1975 as the San Ramon Valley's new homes spread out on both sides of the Interstate 680 freeway.

In earlier times, rural roads crisscrossed the valley leading to the small downtowns in San Ramon, Danville and Alamo. People came into town to get their mail, shop at the general stores, attend dances at the Veterans Hall or events at the San Ramon Hall. State Highway 21 was the north-south arterial, following the original San Jose to Martinez road.

After 1945, the drone of cars on the old highway that went through downtown Danville and Alamo became a constant. Drivers came to dread the bumper-to-bumper two-lane road through the San Ramon Valley. When President Dwight Eisenhower signed the bill creating the National Highway System in 1956, the Valley was ripe to host the East Bay's inland freeway. Residents were eager to send through-traffic off the Danville highway.

But where to put it? By 1960, that was a big topic of discussion.

In Alamo it was logical to place the road just east of Alamo's downtown, though much work on San Ramon Creek was needed. A major archaeological dig found Indian village artifacts that were dated to 5,000 years ago.



This cartoon ran in the Valley Pioneer on Oct. 28, 1964, to hail the opening of the first stretch of the San Ramon Valley I-680 from Walnut Creek to Sycamore Valley Road, which opened Nov. 1.

Where in Danville? Some wanted to put it a mile or more to the agricultural east, where there were few buildings and the existing community wouldn't be severed. But this plan would have affected the new Aerojet-General Nucleonics plant in San Ramon. Chamber of Commerce meetings argued over the route, finally advocating the mid-valley way. The Danville segment went east of Old Town and over the Southern Pacific tracks.

There were debates over the name of one new road, which finally was called El Cerro. In 1962, a controversy over the Diablo Road access in Danville erupted; people objected to losing several mature oak trees when the off-ramp was planned. One anonymous phone call threatened a boycott of Danville merchants over the issue when the Chamber supported the off-ramp location.

Everyone talked to the Congressman who represented the valley, John Baldwin. He had grown up in Danville and was the Representative from 1955 to 1966. Since he served on the Congressional Public Works Committee, his opinions were influential. He and Assemblyman Don Doyle were involved in select-

ing the final freeway alignment.

After the right of way was finalized, contracts were let and the freeway built. The first 6.75-mile segment from Walnut Creek to Sycamore Valley Road was built by the Guy F. Atkinson Co. for \$13.7 million. This stretch of I-680 was completed in 1964.

Alamo's Warren Scolin chaired the celebration committee, which sponsored a three-day event called "Frontier 680." Ninety-year-old Claude Glass cut the ribbon, and Bill Hockins was Grand Marshall. Four parachutists landed on the new freeway and a parade with bagpipes, antique cars and Congressman Baldwin proceeded down the freeway on Sunday, Nov. 1, 1964.

Christmas came early as travel on the Danville Highway was transformed to a quiet, meandering drive once the new I-680 freeway opened.

Sources: *Contra Costa Times*, Dec. 3, 1964; *Valley Pioneer and Alamo-Danville Observer*; cartoon from *Valley Pioneer*, Oct. 28, 1964

Beverly Lane, a longtime Danville resident, is curator of the Museum of the San Ramon Valley and co-author of "San Ramon Valley: Alamo, Danville, and San Ramon."

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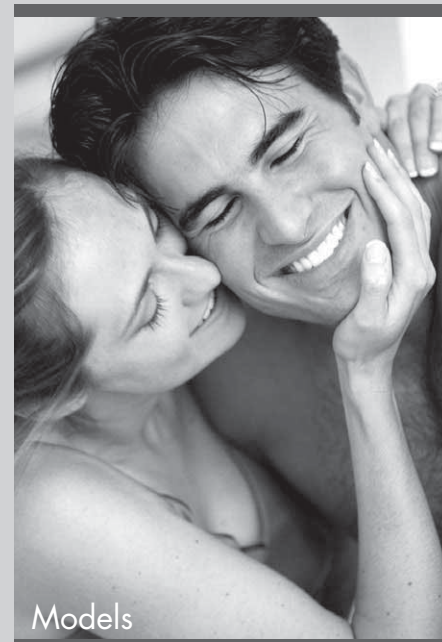
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## Shinto wedding

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their sins from the branches to the altar, according to the ritual, said Landrum. They are offering their sins to the Shinto gods.

When the ceremony finished, Ishitani, her friends and some of the attendees held a banquet and made T-shirts with the Danville couple's picture on them.

Ishitani plans to visit the Bay Area for a business project in San Francisco, and the newly married Danville couple will host her. They want to return the kindness and courtesy she showed to them on their important day. ■

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## Author Visits

**Amy and David Goodman**  
Mt. Diablo Peace and Justice Center will host brother and sister Amy and David Goodman, authors of "Static: Government Liars, Media Cheerleaders, and the People Who Fight Back" at noon, Saturday, Oct. 7, at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette. Advance tickets are \$15; \$20 at the door. Call 933-7850.

**Bay Books Hosts Mystery Authors**  
Bay Books will host a panel of mystery authors including Margaret Dumas, Camille Minichino and Ann Parker at 7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 26, at the San Ramon Bay Books, 2415 San Ramon Valley Blvd. This event is free. Call 855-1524.

## Clubs

**Alamo Women's Club**  
This club will host a special speaker, Denise Jardine, N.E. at noon, Wednesday, Oct. 25, at 1401 Danville Blvd., Alamo. Cost is \$15 and reservations must be made by Monday, Oct. 23. Call Helen at 820-2621.

**Blackhawk Republican Women**  
This club will host a meeting with guest speakers Assemblyman Guy Houston and U.S. Rep. Richard Pombo at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 12, at Blackhawk Country Club, 599 Blackhawk Club Drive, Danville. The public is welcome. Cost is \$31 due by noon Oct. 10 to Ms. Simens; call 736-8251.

**Blue Star Moms**  
This group will be hosting a "Drop Zones" event to accept items for care packages to send to the troops for the holidays, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14, at Danville Veteran's Memorial Building, 400 Hartz Ave. For information, visit [www.bluestarmoms.org](http://www.bluestarmoms.org).

**Pleasanton DeMolay**  
This Pleasanton chapter of DeMolay is an organization for young men between the ages of 12-21. They meet at 7:30 p.m., the first and third Tuesdays of every month at the

## WEEKEND PREVIEW



EUGENE O'NEILL FOUNDATION

## Master playwright at work

The 2006 Eugene O'Neill Festival will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first U.S. production of O'Neill's "Long Day's Journey into Night" by presenting the Pulitzer-Prize winning play at 7:30 p.m., Friday-Saturday, Oct. 6-7, and at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 8, in the Old Barn at Tao House, Danville. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased at Dean Leshar Regional Center for the Arts; call 943-7469. For information, visit [www.eugeneoneill.org](http://www.eugeneoneill.org). In this photo, O'Neill works in his study at the Tao House, where he wrote "Long Day's Journey."

Pleasanton Masonic Center, 3370 Hopyard Road. For information, contact Ken Varallo at 455-8586 or [raptors2@comcast.net](mailto:raptors2@comcast.net).

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

**San Ramon Valley Genealogical Society**  
The society meets at 10 a.m., every third Tuesday of the month, except

August and December, at the LDS Church, 2449 Stone Valley Road. Guest speaker at every meeting. All welcome. For information, call Ed at 299-0881.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 75**  
The organization will meet at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 12, at Danville Veteran's Hall, 400 Hartz Avenue, Danville. For information, call Post Commander Mac McCuskey at 837-2740 or visit [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org).

## Concerts

**A Tribute to the Life and Music of Tony Bennett**  
This tribute will be performed by Benedetto/Blessed with Russ Lorenson and The Kelly Park Trio at 8:15 p.m., Friday-Saturday, Oct. 6-7 and at 2:15 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 8, at Knight Stage 3 Theatre, Dean Leshar Regional Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek. Tickets are \$22 for general admission, \$20 for seniors and youth. Call 943-7469 or visit [www.dlrca.org](http://www.dlrca.org).

**An Evening of Piano Music with Daniel Glover**  
This concert will feature Schumann's Fantasy in C, Opus 17, and Mozart-Liszt's fantasy on Themes from "Marriage of Figaro" at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 4, at First Presbyterian Church, 5th Street, Livermore. Tickets are \$25. Visit [www.valleyconcertcho-rale.org](http://www.valleyconcertcho-rale.org).

**CAE's Faculty Concert**  
Civic Arts Education's (CAE) presents their Faculty Concert at 2 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 8, at Shadelands Auditorium, 111 Wiget Lane, Walnut Creek. Advance tickets are \$10; \$12 at the door. Call 943-5842.

**Jazz at Peace Series**  
Anton Schwartz and Inga Swearingen will kick off the Jazz at Peace Series at 5 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 8, at Peace Lutheran Church, 3201 Camino Tassajara, Danville. The Jazz at Peace Series will continue at 5 p.m., the second Sunday of each month. This event is free. Call 648-7000 or visit [www.peacejourney.org](http://www.peacejourney.org).

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**Prometheus Symphony Orchestra**  
The orchestra presents a concert including L'Coq d'Or Suite by Rimsky Korsakov and Symphony #9 "New World" by Antonin Dvorak at 3 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 8, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 116 Montecito, Oakland. Admission is free, donations are requested.

## Events

**An Evening of Togetherness**  
Christ Kids Ministry will host former Oakland Raider, Steve Wisniewski in support of this organization with dinner, music, wine tasting and a drawing from 6:30-9:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 6, at Round Hill Country Club, 3169 Roundhill Road, Alamo. Cost is \$85. Call Peter Zaloumis at 719-7950.

**Art of Living Series II**  
Leku Eder will host more to their Art of Living Series with Joy Balma, author of "Secrets of the Orient" from 1:30-2:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 7, at 178 E. Prospect, Danville. This event is free. Call 820-8012.

**Brass Era Cars**  
Blackhawk Museum in collaboration with The Horseless Carriage Club of America will host "Brass Era Cars" from 10:30 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Oct. 14, at the museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville. This event is free with paid admission to the museum. Call 736-2280.

**Ceremony Honoring Art Leaders**  
Arts and Cultural Commission of Contra Costa County will host a ceremony honoring art leaders throughout the county, including an Alamo resident, at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 22, at El Campanil Theatre, 602 W. 2nd Street, Antioch. To reserve your spot, call 646-2278; admission is a \$10 donation.

**Danville Fall Crafts Festival**  
Join the fun at the Danville Fall Crafts Festival from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 21-22, at Hartz and Prospect Avenues. The day will include a Halloween parade, street and stage entertainment, great food and beverages! Call 837-4400 or visit [www.danvillecachamber.com](http://www.danvillecachamber.com).

**Emergency Preparedness Fair**  
Town of Danville and the Church of Jesus Christ and Latter-Day Saints will host an Emergency Preparedness

Fair from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14, at 655 Old Orchard Road, Danville. This event is free and will include booths demonstrating water and food storage, 72 hour kits and more! For information, call David at 743-3300.

**Mount Diablo Trail Adventure**  
This year the trail adventure will include many different runs starting at Castle Rock climbing up the slopes of Mount Diablo starting at 7 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 5. Lunch and T-shirts will be provided to all participants. To register, visit [www.active.com](http://www.active.com) or [www.savemountdiablo.org](http://www.savemountdiablo.org).

**Parade of Dalmatians**  
A parade of Dalmatians will be apart of the annual Eugene O'Neill Festival with festivities at noon, Sunday, Oct. 8, at Museum of the San Ramon Valley, 205 Railroad Ave., Danville. Cost is \$5; each participant will receive a copy of the last will and testament for "Blemie," O'Neill's late Dalmatian. Call 820-1818.

**Sunset Idea House**  
Sunset Magazine and Popular Mechanics Magazine have built the "House of Innovation Idea House" located in Alamo. The house is open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., from now until Nov. 12. Free parking and shuttle are available at the Sycamore Park & Ride lot. Cost is \$12 for adults, \$8 for seniors (Fridays only); children under 5 years old are free. Call (800) 786-7375.

**Taste of Danville**  
KB Home along with five Danville restaurants are teaming up for Taste of Danville from noon-3 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 7, at KB Home Community Monterosso, 300 Cottswald Court, Danville. This event is free. For information, call Craig at 580-1583.

**WineTasting Party**  
WineSocials.com presents a WineTasting Party from 7:30-9:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 20, at Joe's of Lafayette, 3707 Mount Diablo Blvd. Cost is \$20 in advance; \$30 at the door. The night will include music, wine and appetizers! Call 945-8340 or visit [www.winesocials.com](http://www.winesocials.com).

## Fundraisers

**Breast Cancer Benefit**  
Living Proof Prevention presents Breast Cancer Benefit concert from 1-5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 21, at Tesla Vintners, 5143 Tesla Road, Livermore. Advance tickets are \$20 for adults, \$8 for children; tickets at the door are \$25 for adults, \$10 for children. Call

(888) 408-4384.  
**Fall Orchid Festival Show and Sale**  
Diablo View Orchid Society presents the Fall Orchid Festival Show and Sale from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14 and from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 15, at Pleasant Hill Community Center, 320 Civic Drive. Proceeds will benefit the society. Admission is \$2 for adults, children are free. Call 648-7667.

**Norcal Golden Retriever Rescue**  
This rescue organization will host an Auction and Wine Tasting from 3-6 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 7, at Hiller Aviation Institute and Museum, 601 Skyway Road, San Carlos. Proceeds will benefit the Golden Retriever Rescue. Tickets are \$30 in advance; \$40 at the door. Visit [www.goldenrescue.org](http://www.goldenrescue.org).

**Primo's Run for Education**  
Primo's Run for Education that benefits the San Ramon Valley Education Foundation will take place from 6-9 a.m., Sunday, Oct. 8, beginning on Diablo Road at Hartz Avenue. The day will include a 5K, 1/2 marathon, refreshments, goodies and an awards ceremony. Call 866-4127.

**Rummage Sale**  
Valley Parent Preschool will host a Rummage Sale from 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14, at the preschool, 935 Camino Ramon, Danville. Items will be priced to move and all proceeds will benefit the preschool. Call Dorothy at 867-0741.

**Semi-Annual Sale**  
Twin Valley Mothers of Twins Club will host a semi-annual sale of children's clothing, furniture, books and toys from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 7, at The Barn, 3131 Pacific Ave., Livermore. The sale will help support the club's philanthropic efforts. Entry fee is \$1.

**That's Amore!**  
Tri-Valley Animal Rescue will celebrate "That's Amore, Paw Prints on our Hearts" from 6-10 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14, at Robert Livermore Community Center. The night will include buffet dinner, live and silent auctions, raffle prizes and more! Cost is \$60. Call 803-7043 or visit [www.tvr.org](http://www.tvr.org).

**Vista Grande Carnival**  
Vista Grande Elementary's Fun in the Sun Carnival will take place at the school, 677 Diablo Road, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 7. Everyone is welcome and admission is free. The carnival will feature game and food booths, a silent auction and fun for the whole family. Call 314-1000.

## Health

**Get Lean at Lunch**  
Dan Taylor of TriValleyTrainer.com will host "Get Lean at Lunch" with free tips and healthily eating ideas from noon-1 p.m., Thursdays during the month of October, at San Ramon Whole Foods, 100 Sunset Drive, San Ramon. These events are free. Call 413-2268 or email [dan@trivalleytrainer.com](mailto:dan@trivalleytrainer.com).

**Nutrition and Cancer Treatment**  
The Wellness Community will host Tinrin Chew, Oncology Dietician from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 7 and from 6:30-8:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 2, at The Wellness Community, 3276 McNutt Avenue, Walnut Creek. This event is free to cancer patients, their families and friends, but reservations are required by calling 933-0107.

## Holidays

**Fright Night**  
Bring your family to Fright Night including haunted house tours, outside crafts and activities for all ages from 5-9 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 21, at Greenbrook Elementary School, 1531 St. Helena Drive, Danville. Advance tickets are 12 for \$10; \$1 each at the door. Call 831-8591.

**Inventing Halloween: A Monster Factory**  
Blackhawk Museum presents "Inventing Halloween: A Monster Factory" from 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 29, at the museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville. Make your own paper mask, paper bag costume and create edible monsters. This event is free with paid admission to the museum. Call 736-2280.



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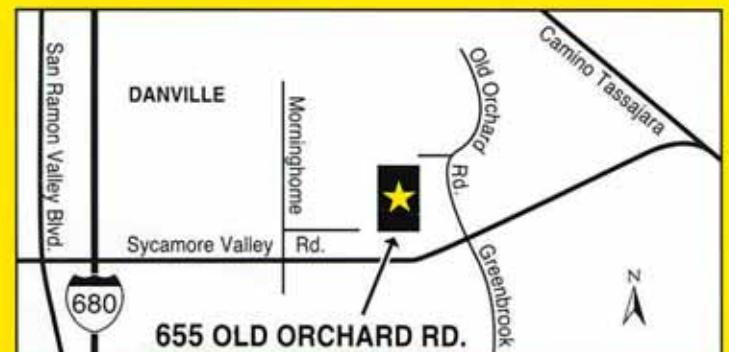
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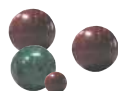
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**Kids & Teens**

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Bay Books will host an "un-birthday  
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Valley Blvd. Call 855-1524.

**Lectures/  
Workshops**

**Boundaries with Teens Simulcast**

Community Presbyterian Church will  
host a Simulcast on "Boundaries  
for Teens: When to Say Yes, When  
to Say No" presented by Dr. John  
Townsend from 8:45-11:30 a.m.,  
Saturday, Oct. 7, at the church's  
Multi-Purpose Room, 222 W. El  
Pintado Road, Danville. Cost is \$5.  
Light refreshments will be served. Call  
Laura Taggart at 837-5525, ext. 319.

**On Stage**

**'Last of the Red Hot Lovers'**

Role Players Ensemble Theatre will  
offer "Last of the Red Hot Lovers"  
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are \$18-24 and can be purchased  
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The 2006 Eugene O'Neill Festival  
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Oct. 8, in the Old Barn at Tao House,  
Danville. Tickets are \$30 and can be  
purchased at Dean Leshner Regional  
Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Drive,  
Walnut Creek, call 943-7469 or visit  
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**Volunteering**

**Bedford Gallery Guild**

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**Iron Horse Corridor Restoration Project**

Life Garden invites youths to help out  
in the Iron Horse Corridor Restoration  
Projects from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.,  
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**Lindsay Wildlife Museum**

The museum will host two volunteer  
classes that will provide informa-  
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involved in the work of the museum  
and how you can help wildlife.  
Classes are from 6:30-8 p.m.,  
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## SALES AT A GLANCE

This week's data represents homes sold during September 2006

Danville	Alamo	Walnut Creek
Total sales reported: 13	Total sales reported: 3	Total sales reported: 33
Lowest sale reported: \$555,000	Lowest sale reported: \$1,255,000	Lowest sale reported: \$265,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,672,000	Highest sale reported: \$1,339,000	Highest sale reported: \$1,775,000
Average sales reported: \$1,069,846	Average sales reported: \$1,298,000	Average sales reported: \$735,424

## HOME SALES

Source: California REsource

Alamo	Walnut Creek	Alamo	Walnut Creek
<b>45 Barbee Lane</b> J. & V. Hess to Tebb Trust for \$1,300,000	<b>1210 Sunshine Circle M. &amp; D. Goldstein to D. Watson</b> for \$715,000	<b>345 Masters Court #3</b> Fairways 340 Limited to J. Vollmer for \$400,000	<b>333 Masters Court #4</b> Fairways 340 Limited to P. & A. Noe for \$480,000
<b>2342 Royal Oaks Drive P.</b> Loya to Barbara Trust for \$1,255,000	<b>111 Adams Ranch Road</b> Powers Trust to A. Scimia for \$1,051,000	<b>722 North Villa Road R.</b> Seto to T. Brown for \$433,000	<b>119 Northcreek Circle A.</b> & M. Mejia to V. Munoz for \$517,500
<b>1050 White Gate Road R. &amp; L. Bruce to T. &amp; P. O'Keefe</b> for \$1,339,000	<b>1315 Alma Avenue #454</b> Alpine Development to G. & S. McManus for \$576,000	<b>2728 Oak Road #144 M.</b> Sorel to A. & N. Jurczyk for \$355,000	<b>2560 Oak Road #323 C.</b> Bellitt to S. Malakhov for \$507,500
<b>Danville</b>	<b>90 Analisa Lane</b> Prudential Relocation to G. & B. Sevastopoulos for \$888,000	<b>51 Park Avenue A.</b> Bauer to M. Stafford for \$710,000	<b>215 Royal Glen Drive J. &amp; M.</b> Ranney to Anderson Trust for \$1,435,000
<b>145 Alta Vista Way</b> Melani Trust to T. & K. Leech for \$1,437,500	<b>10 Arabian Court</b> Hill Trust to M. & C. Lewis for \$775,000	<b>2506 Saklan Indian Drive</b> Warburton Trust to Scoggins Trust for \$1,000,000	<b>71 Shady Lane A.</b> Puente to P. & S. McDonough for \$755,000
<b>641 Birchwood Court D. &amp; E. Bonito to S. Fernandez</b> for \$1,309,000	<b>562 Banyan Circle</b> Judd Trust to S. Gurson for \$667,000	<b>1532 South Villa Way A.</b> Bevilacqua to J. Scholz for \$404,000	<b>725 Tampico D. &amp; J. Tandy to N. Kabaniaev</b> for \$625,000
<b>131 Burgess Court S. &amp; R. Murphy to W. &amp; J. Hagstrom</b> for \$1,065,000	<b>1932 Basalt Court B. &amp; T. Scalisi to C. &amp; N. Archibald</b> for \$949,000	<b>4603 Terra Granada Drive #3A</b> Tcheng Trust to Birks Trust for \$595,000	<b>1840 Tice Creek Drive #2414</b> I. Bloom to B. Barouch for \$265,000
<b>1602 Colchester Street</b> Lennar Homes to J. Tomecek for \$1,194,500	<b>1955 Blackstone Drive W. &amp; V. Jones to A. Micarsos</b> for \$902,000	<b>1840 Tice Creek Drive #2446</b> Waldon Trust to F. Smith for \$650,000	<b>30 Tierra Verde Court</b> Davis Trust to Brown Trust for \$1,775,000
<b>1608 Colchester Street</b> Lennar Homes to J. & A. Cardenas for \$1,198,000	<b>1447 Boulevard Way</b> Tabor Trust to N. Middleton for \$850,000	<b>1246 Walker Avenue #204 M.</b> & A. Caimol to A. Obolenskiy for \$310,000	
<b>221 Farm Hill Court J. &amp; D. Kindley to S. Barker</b> for \$1,078,000	<b>1645 Carmel Drive #3 D. &amp; C. Reynolds to V. Dunlap</b> for \$429,000		
<b>700 Garden Creek Place V. &amp; L. Conti to A. &amp; M. Bapi</b> for \$555,000	<b>326 Dogwood Drive</b> Ayres Trust to M. & D. Kenney for \$850,000		
<b>216 Jewel Terrace J.</b> Holmwood to G. & K. Jasso for \$610,000	<b>3272 Eccleston Avenue M.</b> Holbrook to M. & R. Valdivia for \$675,000		
<b>2131 Myrtle Beach Lane</b> Garcia Trust to Lagen Trust for \$705,000	<b>2280 English Court</b> Sears Trust to J. Long for \$910,000		
<b>150 Pulido Road J.</b> Sposeto to M. Abel for \$875,000	<b>752 Hilton Road</b> Hilleland Trust to L. Halpin for \$1,100,000		
<b>10 Ross Court</b> Edinburgh Group to Bertha Trust for \$1,494,000	<b>5910 Horsemans Canyon Drive #3C</b> F. Halloran to J. Matysiak for \$430,000		
<b>25 Ross Court</b> Edinburgh Group to D. & C. Rosselli for \$1,672,000	<b>823 Hutchinson Road L.</b> Bartlett to Langford Trust for \$1,250,000		

## OPEN HOMES THIS WEEKEND

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Alamo	75 Candleston Pl.	\$1,899,000
<b>3 Bedrooms</b>	Sun 12-5 Pacific Union	997-3966
<b>3157 Miranda Ave.</b> Intero	<b>61 Vista Ln.</b> Alain Pinel	<b>\$1,795,000</b> 876-6935
Sun 1-4 487-0632	Sun 1-4	
<b>4 Bedrooms</b>	<b>129 Linhares Ln.</b> Blackhawk RE	<b>\$2,890,000</b> 858-1797
<b>1484 Emmons Canyon Dr.</b> Intero	Sun 1:30-4	
Sun 1-4 963-0093		
<b>1606 Litina Ln.</b> Alain Pinel	<b>147 Alamo Springs Dr.</b> Empire RE	<b>\$3,300,000</b> 766-8657
Sun 1-4 323-6735	Sun 1-4	
<b>46 Vista Ln.</b> Intero		
Sun 1:30-4 672-2499		

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## Blackhawk

### 3 Bedrooms

**3048 Live Oak Ct.** **\$1,100,000**  
Sun 1:30-4 Intero 648-7482  
**11 Deer Meadow Rd.** **\$1,259,000**  
Sun 1:30-4 Blackhawk RE 736-4155

### 4 Bedrooms

**3551 Deer Crest Dr.** **\$1,399,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 510-612-8008  
**441 Kingswood Ln.** **\$1,699,000**  
Sun 1:30-4 Blackhawk RE 683-6058  
**2386 Saddleback Dr.** **\$1,749,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4152  
**5098 Blackhawk Dr.** **\$1,898,000**  
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel 323-6735  
**106 Wild Oak Ct.** **\$2,149,000**  
Sun 1:30-4 Blackhawk RE 683-6058  
**5400 Blackhawk Dr.** **\$2,350,000**  
Sun 1:30-4 Blackhawk RE 683-6058

### 5 Bedrooms

**5078 Blackhawk Dr.** **\$1,749,000**  
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel 876-6935

## Danville

### 2 Bedrooms

**137 Midland Wy.** **\$464,950**  
Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 984-3060  
**2198 Shoshone Cir.** **\$649,500**  
Sun 1-4 Empire 984-1787

### 3 Bedrooms

**70 Linda Ct.** **\$1,674,950**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 476-0589  
**440 Sycamore Cir.** **\$537,500**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 413-1068  
**154 Lawnview Cir.** **\$599,550**  
Sun 1-4 Better Homes 389-0618  
**305 West Meadows Ln.** **\$659,500**  
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel 577-0525

**167 Heritage Park Dr.** **\$659,900**  
Sun 1-4 Keller Williams 855-6410

**186 Tivoli Ln.** **\$759,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 413-1068

**2164 Myrtle Beach Ln.** **\$779,000**  
Sun 1-4 Empire 837-5679

**1148 River Rock Ln.** **\$787,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4075

**40 Casablanca** **\$879,000**  
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel 209-7498

**4 Hardy Ct.** **\$928,750**  
Sun 1-4 Pacific Union 997-3966

### 4 Bedrooms

**389 Squirrel Ridge Wy.** **\$1,024,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 833-1822

**595 Zephyr Cir.** **\$1,069,000**  
Sun 1-4:30 Intero 855-4134

**471 St. Francis Dr.** **\$1,139,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4060

**311 Live Oak Dr.** **\$1,149,000**  
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel 577-0525

**384 Borica Dr.** **\$1,169,000**  
Sun 2-4 Alain Pinel 216-6817

**1116 Blue Spur Cir.** **\$1,199,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4110

**55 Paraiso Ct.** **\$1,199,000**  
Fri 3-6; Sat/Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 831-3326

**416 Snowdon Pl.** **\$1,237,999**  
Thur 3-6; Sat 1-4 Coldwell Banker 831-3326

**65 Crestridge Ct.** **\$1,250,000**  
Sun 1-4 Empire 998-8470

**18 Silver Birch Ln.** **\$1,325,000**  
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel 791-2698

**718 Saint George Rd.** **\$1,350,000**  
Sun 2-4 By Owner 858-8379

**20 Mauri Ct.** **\$1,499,000**  
Sun 12-4 Intero 855-4110

**250 Tim Ct.** **\$1,629,000**  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Better Homes 389-0618

**260 Tim Ct.** **\$1,695,000**  
Sun By Appt. Intero 977-8965

**11 Jillian Wy.** **\$1,789,000**

Sat/Sun 12-3 Intero 818-4078

**2707 Deer Meadow Dr.** **\$1,799,000**  
Sun 1-4 Re/Max 735-7653

**1157 River Rock Ln.** **\$869,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4049

**152 Santa Clara Dr.** **\$899,000**  
Sun 2-4 Alain Pinel 548-1717

**1102 River Rock Ln.** **\$899,950**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4049

**610 Reading Pl.** **\$939,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4123

**303 Windchime Dr.** **\$959,000**  
Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 984-3060

**62 St. Mark Ct.** **\$959,000**  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Intero 408-357-6112

**55 Sierra Ridge Ct.** **\$978,000**  
Sun 1:30-4:30 Keller Williams 260-8883

**900 El Capitan Dr.** **\$997,000**  
Sat 1-4; Sun 12-4 Intero 683-7709

### 5 Bedrooms

**54 St. Luke Ct.** **\$1,040,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4060

**117 Merano St.** **\$1,149,000**  
Sun 1-4 Empire 217-5048

**400 Coventry Pl.** **\$1,162,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 984-3992

**26 Bormio Ct.** **\$1,355,000**  
Sat/Sun 1-4 Intero 648-5338

**112 Laurelwood Dr.** **\$2,199,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 977-8965

**133 Conway Ct.** **\$899,999**  
Sun 1-4 Empire 351-5859

**152 Blackstone Dr.** **\$955,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 984-1945

### 6 Bedrooms

**586 Zephyr Cir.** **\$1,099,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4123

## Diablo

### 4 Bedrooms

**2611 Caballo Ranchero** **\$2,995,000**  
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel 200-3714

## San Ramon

### 2 Bedrooms

**9085 Alcosta Blvd. #415** **\$349,500**  
Sun 1-4 Empire 984-1787

**501 Destiny Ln.** **\$512,000**  
Sun 2-4 Alain Pinel 785-1586

**1330 Sutter Creek Ln.** **\$577,000**  
Sat 1-4 Prudential CA 249-0301

**950 Springview Cir.** **\$635,000**  
Sun 1:30-4:30 Empire 217-3112

### 3 Bedrooms

**5032 Lakeview Dr. #201** **\$529,900**  
Sun 1-4 Alain Pinel 209-7498

**9784 Belladonna Dr.** **\$679,500**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4053

**117 Enchanted Wy.** **\$683,000**  
Sun 1-4 Coldwell Banker 831-3366

**775 Winterside Cir.** **\$719,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4110

**1046 Vista Poine Cir.** **\$729,500**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4128

**6885 Aberdale Ct.** **\$769,800**  
Sun 1-4 Hometown GMAC 209-7644

**429 Donner Wy.** **\$917,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4128

**3111 Marble Canyon Pl.** **\$949,500**  
Sun 1-7 Alain Pinel 968-1452

### 4 Bedrooms

**2433 Wildhorse** **\$1,049,000**  
Sun 1-4 Intero 855-4059

**136 Canyon Lakes Wy.** **\$1,189,000**  
Sun 1:30-4:30 Alain Pinel 785-1586

**11 Henry Ranch Dr.** **\$1,459,000**  
Sun 1-5 All CA Brokerage 699-7955



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### ALAMO

**Westside Alamo Estate! \$2,699,000**  
Multi-dimensional property includes main house, 2 in-law units and a pool house. Gorgeous backyard with Mt. Diablo views, pool, waterfall.  
**Khrista Jarvis 925.855.4065**



### DANVILLE

**Gorgeous Magee Ranch \$1,995,000**  
4bd, 4.5ba, 1bd/1ba on first floor plus paneled formal office. Large kitchen/family room combo. Lovely pool, elegant gazebo, backing to open space.  
**Dave Bauer 925.855.4040**



### BLACKHAWK

**Beautiful Custom Executive \$1,749,000**  
4bd, 3.5ba on 1.75+/-acre lot with great views of open space and hillsides. Completely updated w/great kitchen. Large pool, zoned for horses.  
**Jennifer Vujovich 925.855.4152**



### DANVILLE

**Choice Westside Location \$1,499,000**  
4bd, 2ba single story on cul-de-sac. Family room overlooks one-half acre lot with solar heated pool & spa. Granite kitchen. 3-car garage.  
**The Taylor Team 925.855.4110**



### ALAMO

**Remodeled Single Story \$1,399,950**  
3bd, 2.5ba with granite, tile floors, vaulted ceilings, French doors, huge great room. Pool/spa. Separate guest house (600+/-sf).  
**Dennis Harvey & Ju Dee Bell 925.855.4059**



### ALAMO

**Prestigious Bryan Ranch \$1,399,000**  
4bd, 3ba Harold Smith home with wonderful canyon views and great schools. Location is great, condition is great! What are you waiting for?  
**Carolyn H. Young 925.963.0093**



### DANVILLE

**Rare Single Story \$1,299,900**  
4bd, 2.5ba on quiet court. New carpeting and light fixtures. Meticulously maintained. Lovely brick-accented pool and separate spa.  
**Carolyn H. Young 925.963.0093**



### DANVILLE

**Bettencourt Ranch Beauty!! \$1,162,000**  
It's a wow! 5bd, 3ba, remodeled kitchen, travertine master bath. New furnace, AC, ductwork & water heater. 3-car garage.  
**Bob Gibbs & Judy Bradley 925.984.3992**



### DANVILLE

**Just Move In! \$1,125,000**  
6bd, 3ba, gorgeous remodeled kitchen and baths. Gleaming hardwood floors, faux paint walls, Tuscan touches. Newer roof, dual panes.  
**Vince Perpetuo 925.855.4096**

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