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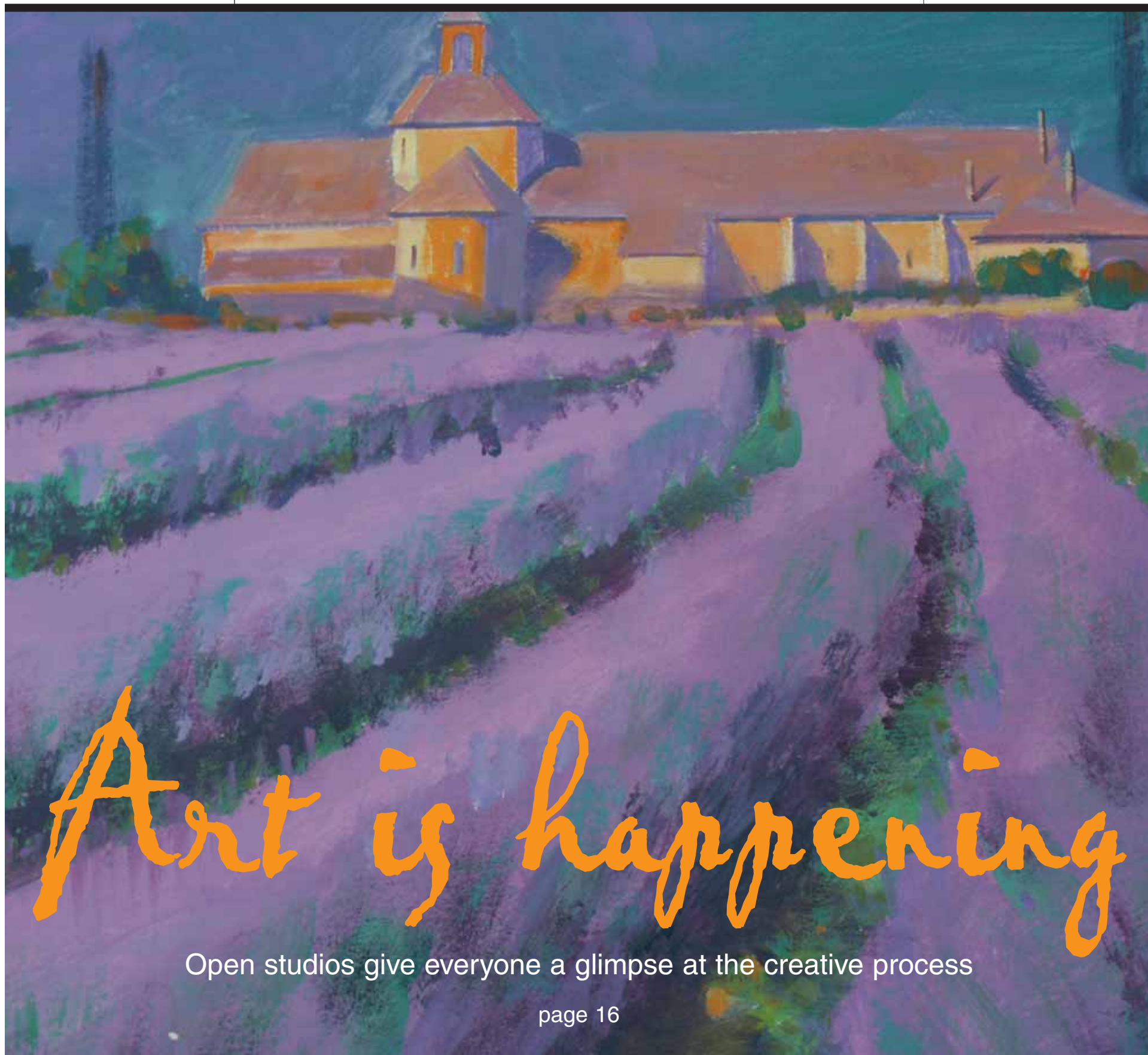
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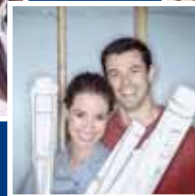
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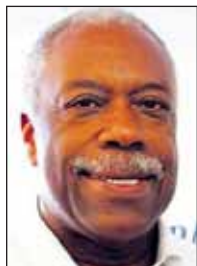
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Jill O'Callaghan
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Honestly, I think I'm blessed. I'm doing a lot of them. I'm comfortable. I'm in a good spot. I've opened bank branches. I enjoy banking. I was married for 27 years, and my parents got to see me grow up. Life has been good to me.

Larry A. Duson
assistant bank vice president



What I want to do before I die is I want to get my whole family together—my boys, my sisters, my parents—while we are still healthy and travel to Italy. I want to experience the country where our family originated. There's something inside me that draws me back to that country. People are friendly there. It's a more of a feeling than something tangible.

Don Canario
senior bank vice president



I want to see my kids grow up as adults. I don't know if I'm living for them. You want your kids to become good adults. I want to compete in another iron man triathlon.

Gary Riele
commercial real estate broker



I have to just be happy and enjoy the time I have with my family. And I hope to have a family of my own because I feel family is the most important.

Erica Salas
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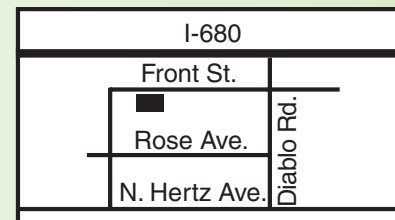


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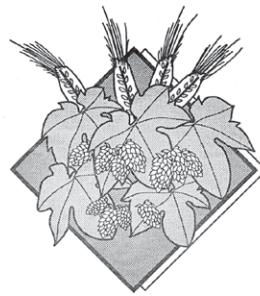
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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“ Kids have the most powerful things to say when we just take the time to listen. ”

—Kathy Moore, Teacher of the Year for the San Ramon Valley Unified School District. See story, page 6.

Park District to purchase 228 acres

The East Bay Regional Park District's Board of Directors unanimously agreed Tuesday to purchase 228 acres located adjacent to the southern portion of Las Trampas Regional Wilderness near the Danville-San Ramon border behind the Elworthy property.

The Parks District will pay owner Robert Chen and family \$2.5 million, the appraised fair market value, for the parcel. Funds came from a Measure AA transfer, Prop 12 and Prop 40 per capita funds, along with other grants.

“When the Elworthy property comes to the Park District, we will have all of the ridgeland,” said Park District Board Member Beverly Lane.

Currently environmental reports are being done on the Elworthy property, a 459-acre parcel west off San Ramon Valley Boulevard. Development plans call for 96 units on 12 acres between Fountain Springs Circle and Midland Way, and the rest of the property will remain open space.

District Land Acquisition Manager Nancy Wenninger presented an overview of the Chen property at the May 15 board meeting stating that this acquisition is another important step in a 35-year project to protect the ridgeline overlooking San Ramon, Danville, Alamo, Walnut Creek, Lafayette, Orinda and Moraga. With this purchase, Las Trampas includes about 5,300 acres of open space.

Fresh produce and Danville Weekly

The Danville Weekly will have a booth at the Thursday evening Farmers Market on May 24 to celebrate its second anniversary. Staff members will be handing out goodies and hoping to meet members of the community.

“I love to meet our readers,” said editor Dolores Fox Ciardelli. “Since it is our mission to cover the community, we want to get out there and hear about their story ideas and what we might be missing.”

The evening market is taking place 4-8 p.m. Thursdays through Aug. 16 in the parking lot next to the Museum of the San Ramon Valley on Railroad Avenue at Prospect. The Saturday morning Farmers Market is at the same location, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. year round.

If you don't buckle up: Start now!

The Danville Police Department is participating in California's annual “Click It or Ticket” seatbelt enforcement campaign, which started Monday and ends Sunday, June 3. The period is part of the state's annual effort to increase seatbelt use through a combination of heavy enforcement, advertising and public awareness campaigns.

“It's a safety thing,” said Danville Police Chief Chris Wenzel. “You don't know who is going to run into you. There is at least one accident a day in Danville.”

Since the campaign started in 2005, nearly a million more drivers are buckling up. The state seatbelt law requires that every passenger in the car, including the driver, is required to wear a seatbelt at all times. If vehicles are stopped and driver or passengers are found to be in violation, law enforcement will issue citations without warnings to the driver and/or passengers.

Tickets for seatbelt violations range from \$80 to \$91 for adults. When children under 6 are not properly secured in a vehicle, the parent or driver can receive one “point count” on their driving record, with a fine of \$330 to \$401 on a first offense and \$795 to \$971 on a second offense.

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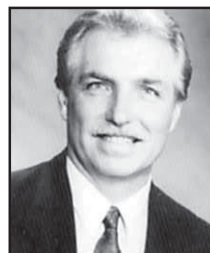
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Nuts and bolts—right next door

Ellen Taylor helps husband Preston Taylor, president of Alamo Improvement Association, tie an apron signed by store employees at the grand opening of Home Depot Yardbirds last week. Taylor, who was instrumental in making sure the revamped store would meet the needs of Alamo, joined a group of about 200 at the grand opening. Alamo hardware buffs enjoyed a free breakfast, explored the new interior and sized up products. While some were unhappy with the changes, noting that it's not the place to sell appliances, others said they were pleased with the new products. And Taylor said the back side of the store, where a wall meets the Iron Horse Trail, is far more attractive than it used to be.

Reaching new heights

Danville man due to attain peak of Mount Everest tomorrow

by Natalie O'Neill

SimplexGrinnel is a company that says it wants its employees to meet their goals. Danville's Curt Meyers, a nine-year employee, just happened to have a 29,000-foot goal.

The 27-year old pipe fitter and foreman is scheduled to reach the top of Mount Everest tomorrow—a lifelong ambition—as part of a company-supported journey.

"He's an extremely focused person. If he thinks it's important, he sets his sights on it and he does it," his father Chris Meyers said.

SimplexGrinnell, a security, alarm and communications company, allowed Curt Meyers time off and partially funded his journey to the highest point on earth because it aligns with the company mantra to have employees "reach new heights personally and professionally."

The six-week journey into the

extreme wilderness that rests between Nepal and Tibet was an idea Meyers pitched to the human resources department. Now it currently has him in icy sub-zero temperatures at altitudes that make even breathing and moving a tremendous challenge.

He left in early April with just a 70-pound backpack and is scheduled to be back in June.

Communication is limited even at base camp, but Meyers has a Myspace page on the Internet to document the climb and has updated it with photos and writings during the course of the trek. The desire to take on challenges is just part of who he is, he writes on the Web page.

"Yep, I'm 'that' guy who likes doing things other people can't, or won't do," he wrote.

His father has talked to him in brief increments by cell phone and said that while he's been nothing but positive about the experience, he

naturally sounds short of breath.

At the summit of the mountain, the altitude is just over 29,000 feet—close to the average height commercial airplanes reach—and the air is so thin that oxygen masks are necessary. In these difficult conditions, it's imperative that the weather be clear.

"Right now they're waiting for that weather window," his father said last week.

Meyers has been camping and climbing with a group of Russian and New Zealand mountaineers, which is being led by four professional instructors. To get acclimated to the altitude, the group has descended then ascended frequently, getting increasingly higher with each climb. This is done in order to gradually build a resistance to the altitude.

After about 24,000 feet, without the masks, not enough oxygen

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Mark Curtis leaving KTVU anchor spot

Realtor starts grassroots support to get him reinstated

by Jordan M. Doronila

Mark Curtis—a Danville resident—is stepping down as anchor for KTVU Channel 2 News.

He shared the information at a San Ramon Valley Kiwanis gathering at Round Hill Country Club in Alamo last week, said Blackhawk Realtor Becky Sargent, who has started a grassroots campaign to inform KTVU that removing Curtis is a mistake.

"Mark is the face of KTVU in our Tri-Valley," Sargent said. "His abounding dedication, generosity ... sincerity is unparalleled."

Curtis said company policy prohibited him from commenting to the media about the status of his employment. KTVU General Manager Tim McVay said Tuesday that Curtis was at that point still the anchor man for KTVU morning news.

"Beyond that we don't discuss personnel matters," he added.

Curtis has been heavily involved in the Danville community. He has volunteered for many organizations, which include Street Smarts, Sentinels of Freedom, the Danville Area Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, San Ramon Valley Rotary Club, the Umbrella of Churches and several schools in the San Ramon Valley Unified School District.

"He's just an excellent anchor and a good, decent representative from the media," Sargent said.

"He's an asset to our community."

Curtis has been on KTVU FOX 2 since 1993, and he started as a correspondent for the station's Washington, D.C., bureau, according to the station's Web site. He grew up in Milwaukee and graduated with a degree in broadcast communication from Marquette University in 1981. In 1986, he received a master's degree from the University of Florida in Gainesville.

He spent about two years in Gainesville working at WCJB-

TV20 as a general assignment reporter and as

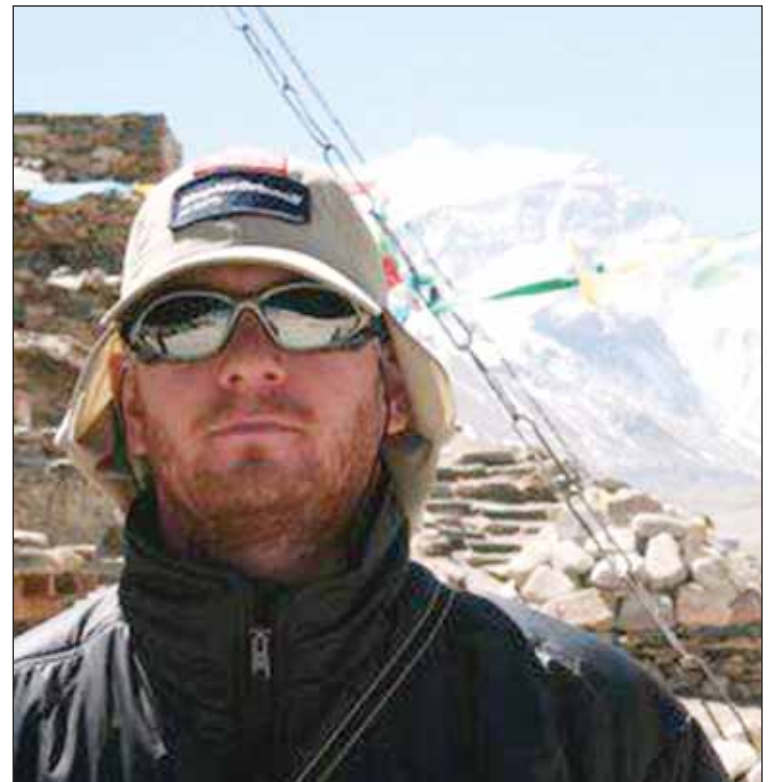
bureau chief in the Central Florida regional news bureau. He worked as a Congressional Fellow in the House Judiciary

Subcommittee of U.S. Rep. Charles Schumer, (D., N.Y.), as well as for U.S. Sen. Herb Kohl, (D, Wisconsin). Curtis returned to broadcasting in 1993.

He has received numerous awards for his work, including the Florida Motion Picture & Television Association's "1989 Best Documentary" for a report on sightings of unidentified flying objects. The Florida Associated Press Broadcasters Association honored him with three awards for his news work. ■



Mark Curtis



Danville resident Curt Meyers, who is scheduled to reach the highest point on Mount Everest tomorrow, sent his parents this photo of himself at camp before his mountaineering group ascends to the summit.

Kathy Moore named district's Teacher of the Year

Special assignment teacher has a passion for helping students succeed

by Jordan M. Doronila

And the winner is: Kathy Moore!

Officials recently named Moore the 2007 Teacher of the Year in the San Ramon Valley Unified School District. She currently works as a "teacher on special assignment" and will represent the district in the Contra Costa County Teacher of the Year Program.

Moore will be recognized by the school board trustees at their meeting Tuesday evening, June 5.

"It's an honor to work with Kathy and a pleasure to nominate her for county Teacher of the Year," said Superintendent Rob Kessler. "She is one of a kind. She is having a lasting impact on teachers and students in our district."

Moore has been teaching for nearly 20 years and currently trains other teachers in the district in the New York Reading and Writing Project methods. Prior to being a teacher on special assignment, she was a second-grade teacher at Sycamore Valley Elementary School; she also taught seventh- and eighth-grade English at Charlotte Wood Middle School.

"Every day, I am astounded by kids," she said. "They have the

most powerful things to say when we just take the time to listen. The students that I see in our classrooms are curious, creative and willing to rise to any challenge."

"They make me proud to be a teacher," she added.

The Writing Project, developed at Columbia University, shows students how to come up with ideas and be aware of their thought processes when they write. Moore uses an overhead projector to give examples of how to start writing, such as poetry. In turn, her students follow her as a model.

Moore noted that through the Writing Project, students develop a personal relationship with a teacher and create a curriculum, which tailors to their unique needs.

"I model lessons for teachers," she said. "It's pretty varied."

She has been working as a special assignment teacher for the past six to seven years.

She also teaches writing at Del Amigo High School, and she is involved in the district's "Student Recognition Project," which helps coordinate a partnership with the California Shakespeare Theatre. Additionally, she conducts "poetry slams" for students in the area, writes a weekly column for a local publication, and still finds time to write her own fiction and poetry. And she has raised two daughters.

Moore originally came from Albany, N.Y. She received her high



Kathy Moore, Teacher of the Year for the San Ramon Valley Unified School District, works with DJ Himrod, a student at Del Amigo High School, on how to write freely.

school teaching credential from State University of New York at Albany in 1978. She met her husband, Bob, a Long Island native, in New York.

She and her family relocated to Danville when her husband found a job in California.

Moore said her husband misses the East Coast.

"He's still a New Yorker at heart," she said.

However, she enjoys California.

"It's been a fabulous experience," she said. "I'm a true Californian."

She received her California single subject and multiple credentials from St. Mary's College in 1997. Now, she is working toward her master's degree in teaching leadership from St. Mary's.

Last year's Teacher of the Year was Monte Vista High School science teacher Patti Carothers. Each year, all of the public school districts in the county select teachers

of the year. A committee, composed of educators, chooses one of these candidates to represent Contra Costa County in the State Teacher of the Year Program.

District officials are excited about their recent choice.

"Kathy is an amazingly thoughtful and caring person and has an uncanny ability to tap into an endless supply of energy and passion for helping kids succeed," said district spokesman Terry Koehne. ■

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Market time

Thursday evening Farmers Market opens with a song

by Jordan M. Doronila

Fresh fruit and smoking ribs are now available on Thursday late afternoons. The summer evening Farmers Market has returned to Danville for business once again.

Farmers from Northern and Central California brought fruits and vegetables to downtown Danville during its grand reopening Thursday, May 10, at Railroad Avenue and Prospect Street.

The opening included a ribbon cutting, with members from the Danville Town Council and the Danville Area Chamber of Commerce attending the event. It also had kids' Mothers Day crafts and activities, and live music performed by the band Big Dog and the Bite.

The market will operate each Thursday from 4-8 p.m. through Aug. 16, in the town parking lot near the Museum of the San Ramon Valley and Lunardi's. The Saturday market is open year round at the same place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"The community was anxious for the market to open as one of the vital elements of the Thursday night downtown Danville event schedule," said Max Timms, marketing manager with the Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association.

Special events have been planned for the summer, including recycling awareness, a senior citizens night, transportation night, and the Emergency Awareness and Summer Solstice Health Fair. In addition, there are three special "Kid's Nights" for the first Thursday of each month.



Robin Goka with Specialty Produce in San Francisco prepares veggies for a customer at the Thursday evening Farmers Market in Danville.

The Thursday Danville Farmers' Market is a partnership between the Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association, which operates the market, and the Town of Danville, the market's sponsor.

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reaches the brain and cerebral damage can occur.

At these heights, the body becomes much more vulnerable to frostbite, hypothermia, and cerebral edema—a severe form of altitude sickness that can cause disorientation, loss of memory, hallucinations and irrational behavior.

Meyers has always taken challenges like this head on—even as a small child, his father recalls.

“He would climb to the top of a woodpile and scare his mom,” he laughed, adding that it only got higher after that.

Meyers’s most recent blog states that after having spent five days in the town of Zangmu, at a much lower altitude, he felt prepared for a final climb to the summit. The team of about 15 camped there to build strength and wait for conditions to get better.

The descent was also necessary to restore red blood cells, which get low when altitude gets too high. Cuts and scrapes also don’t have enough oxygen to heal at extreme heights.

“Five days and four nights is quite a lot of time to spend in a town that can be seen in day! But the thick air did allow me to fully recover and all my cuts to heal,” Meyers wrote last week.

Along with his family, SimplexGrinnell employees at all 150 locations have been following



Curt Meyers waits at the temporary camp before his final ascent on Mount Everest.

his every move and cheering him on, says company spokesman Chris Woodcock.

“The company as a whole has a great sense of pride and anticipation,” Woodcock said.

Treating employees well and encouraging them to succeed is part of the company’s philosophy, company officials say.

“It aligns with our company’s core values ... we hope to retain employees and help them grow and

succeed,” Woodcock said.

He noted that Meyers was the type of person who was always looking to improve and challenge himself on the job.

Once at the top of the summit, Meyers says he will plant a SimplexGrinnell flag in the snow. And in June, the company has a celebratory work party planned for his arrival date.

Visit his Web site at www.MySpace.com/ReachingNewHeights. ■

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Joyeux anniversaire

Steve Piersol and Diane Lusche pause outside Hotel des Invalides in Paris on a trip to France in the fall to celebrate Diane’s birthday.



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Janet and Matt Dowling of Blackhawk enjoy their Weekly in the balmy weather at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel on Waikiki in October.



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What's it worth? Find out this weekend

Sabrina's teacher was surprised to hear the 8-year-old say her grandma was an antique stealer. Grandmother Anita Venezia was surprised, too; she had carefully made the distinction that she is an "antiques dealer" rather than an "antique dealer," which would mean a really, really old dealer.

Anita has been in the business a long time but is certainly no antique. She will be one of the five appraisers from noon to 4 p.m. this Sunday, May 20, at the Blackhawk Museum Guild's fourth annual Antiques Appraisal Event. Appraisals will be done "road show" style, where the experts make verbal evaluations on the spot for folks who bring in objects such as furniture, art, coins, jewelry, porcelain, silver or other collectibles.

"Very few things come my way that I haven't seen before," said Anita.

She was appraising at a road show type event once when someone brought in a piece of jewelry that she discovered was a 19th-century Russian Carl Faberge \$8,000 treasure. "It was very exciting," she recalled. At another event, a table

lamp turned out to be a Tiffany masterpiece valued at six figures.

On the other hand, Anita said people sometimes bring her objects that have been in the family and are beautiful but aren't worth anything. "I will say they have no market value but because they are a family heirloom, they are priceless," she said.

Anita had been dealing in antiques for many years already when she decided in 1987 to pursue formal education in appraisal, taking the intensive ISA Core Course University of Maryland. She owned Venezia Antiques in Los Gatos from 1987 to 2005, commuting there after she moved to Danville in 1999. She also taught "How to Shop Antiques like a Pro" at community colleges, and wrote a column, "Antiquing with Anita."

"I absolutely adore the work I do," Anita said. "I meet wonderful people, and I see marvelous things."

She noted that many objects, such as Persian carpets or books, become more valuable with age; and being in good condition is essential. Rarity also adds value.

For example, period high-end Chinese items were valued highly when China was closed to the West for many years, but when it opened in the 1970s, the market became flooded, she said.

Appraisals may be done for retail replacement value, such as for insurance purposes, she explained, or to determine the fair market value, for estate taxes or if the owner wishes to sell. A formal appraisal may be five to 10 pages, detailing the research. At the road show Sunday, the appraisers will have computers to do some research on the spot, but if people bring important pieces, they will be advised to get a formal appraisal document.

Anita said the current trend is to buy and sell on eBay, something she would never do. Such sales can never be used as benchmarks, she noted, because the bidding war can make the price exceed the intrinsic value. She said there are legitimate sites for antiques and collectibles, such as Christie's and Sotheby's, that have solid comparables.

Experts contributing their services Sunday include Marcia Harmon, owner of Cottage Jewel



Ann Pascoe attends the 2006 antiques road show-style event with her mother's doll, which she learned is worth \$650-\$750.

in Danville, who will appraise vintage and Victorian jewelry, purses and collectibles; Joseph Silva, who specializes in historical documents, 19th century photographs, rare

coins and Civil War memorabilia; Ed Barton, an expert of Native American Indian baskets and pottery; and Julia and Analee Hoyt, who will appraise furniture, sterling silver and contemporary art. Anita will handle the art, sculpture, silver, pottery, textiles, furniture, porcelains and general personal property.

The verbal appraisals will be a \$15 donation per item, which goes toward the guild's Children's Education and Transportation Fund to bus students from other areas to visit the museum. So look around your house and see if there is anything you'd like appraised. It also should be fun to see the other people and their items. Last year at the Blackhawk event, a man brought in a basket his family kept in the family room to hold magazines they tossed in; he learned the Native American Indian basket was worth \$9,000. He left the event smiling broadly—and saying he now would treat the basket with more respect.

—Dolores Fox Ciardelli
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EDITORIAL • THE OPINION OF THE WEEKLY

When the big guys take over

It was a blow indeed to learn that the former Albertsons site on Diablo Road near the freeway could remain vacant for 11 years. The supermarket was the heart of the Green Valley Center, conveniently located on Diablo Road right next to I-680.

Cerberus, the \$60 billion corporation that just purchased Chrysler, bought the Albertsons supermarket chain in January 2006. It closed the Albertsons on Diablo Road last June, along with 36 others throughout Northern California, but left open the store on San Ramon Valley Boulevard plus the other one on Crow Canyon Road, also near I-680.

It might make business sense for Cerberus to allow another supermarket in the Diablo Road location that would be competition to its stores that remain open. But talk about being a bad citizen!

When giant corporations, from Safeway to Chevron, locate in an area, they usually strive to be an addition to the community, sending their employees out to participate in neighborhood projects plus donating funds to schools and other non-profit groups. Usually they bend over backwards to give back to the community as they make a profit from it. In return, the good publicity generates customer loyalty. Instead Cerberus, like the three-headed dog of the same name in Greek mythology that guards the gates of Hades, is proving itself to be unfriendly.

Perhaps the courts will find Cerberus is in control of the lease, tying up the property for the next 11 years. But what a great public relations coup it would be to release the property so that Green Valley Center could again live up to its potential. Perhaps a supermarket would move in, perhaps another business would set up shop, but an anchor tenant would bring customers to the smaller stores that moved into the center depending on the Albertsons' draw.

Owners of the mom-and-pop shops in the center need an anchor tenant to draw people to their businesses. And the neighbors of Green Valley Center deserve to have a thriving shopping center in their midst. If only the giant Cerberus would re-evaluate its standing in the community.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Shopping center being held hostage

Dear Editor:

I was distressed today after reading the article last week titled, "Old supermarket site may stay vacant for awhile." It explained a lawsuit between the property owner of the now closed Albertsons supermarket and Cerberus, the giant corporation holding the lease. It is a sad world when a huge corporation can hold hostage an entire retail center.

Eleven businesses now feel the impact of reduced foot traffic due to the closure last June of Albertsons, which was the main draw for the complex. Excluding Taco Bell, those establishments are small businesses, some family owned, and they are being hurt badly as time drags on. I work at the Hospice Thrift Shoppe, a nonprofit store that is part of the foundation for Hospice of the East Bay. Hardly a day goes by that we are not asked, "What's going in next door?" and "Will there ever be another market?"

This Green Valley Center was a wonderful place to shop. It was convenient; many neighbors would walk there. Since it is near the freeway ramp, you don't have to deal with downtown traffic and there was always ample parking. The entire community misses the large grocery store. We heard rumors about Trader Joe's and Bristol Farms wanting to lease the space. But now this article explains it all: It is a money issue and Cerberus doesn't care that, one by one, the shops may close.

Cerberus is a huge New York-based corporation with \$60 billion annual revenue. Can't it even relinquish a lease in Danville, Calif.? Does it even know the effect it is having on our little Green Valley Center?

Mary Lou Baratta, Danville

Alamo opposes YMCA facilities near Hemme

Dear Editor:

Your article picturing happy faces ready to impose a YMCA commercial facility deep into the Hemme neighborhood illustrates the selfishness of a few YMCA supporters in Alamo. The Mt. Diablo Region YMCA site, www.mdrymca.org, has previously published that only 7 percent of Alamo residents support the construction and operations of YMCA commercial facilities in the Hemme neighborhood. In polling over the past three years, 76 percent of Alamo residents will actively support opposition efforts to such commercial construction and more than 83 percent would vote against the construction if it were a matter for election.

This is a selfish and abusive effort by the county, Danville, Mt. Diablo Region YMCA and a handful in Alamo. The Mt. Diablo

Region YMCA and its handful of Alamo supporters even want Alamo parcel tax appropriations to support this neighborhood abuse.

Alamo neighborhoods have focused on this abuse in proposing formation of the City of Alamo so appropriate and thorough review, even elections, can be pursued. No incorporation by any group should avoid Alamo's majority opposition to San Ramon Valley YMCA commercial facilities in the Hemme neighborhood.

Hal Bailey, Alamo

Bribes for Iraqi oil

Dear Editor:

Chevron and Exxon set modern corporate profit records. The effects of a \$25 million fine have a worse public relations impact than the fine has on Chevron's bottom line. Both companies and several others paid bribes for Iraqi oil to Saddam's Regime before the U.S. invasion, violating U.S. law and UN sanctions.

If one of us inadvertently gave money or aid to enemies of our country we would be arrested and possibly tortured. The same treatment should be extended to the executives who approved the deals. The Justice Department prosecutes would-be terrorists, while letting the financiers of Saddam's Regime off with a tax deductible slap on the wrist. The Bush Justice Department decided to ignore the treasonous nature of these offenses possibly because Condoleezza Rice was on Chevron's board where she was responsible for overseeing the activities that Chevron is being fined for. The fact that she never discussed the bribes on the record (not in the minutes) at company meetings should not surprise anyone who is familiar with her lack of response to 911 warnings.

This story should have been a headline and mentioned frequently on the news, but Chevron and Exxon are big advertisers and probably make sizable campaign contributions. The Feds are close to an agreement with Chevron so it is almost a done deal. If one of the Justice Department's Federal Prosecutors had the guts to investigate these treasonous corporate criminals, Alberto Gonzalez would probably fire the prosecutor.

Ellis Goldberg, Danville

Give your opinion at
www.DanvilleWeekly.com

This week's online poll: Does the town suffer when corporate-owned retail stores lease spaces in Danville?

Results from last week:
A survey shows only 37% of Danville teens communicate well with their families. Does that surprise you?
No: 78 percent
Yes: 22 percent
Total responses: 9

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OBITUARIES

Sharon Jensen

Sharon Jensen, a 43-year resident of Danville, passed away peacefully on April 8, Easter Sunday, her favorite holiday. She was taken by an aggressive cancer, pleural mesothelioma, a diagnosis made only 40 days earlier.

She was born Sharon Adele

Smith to George and Barbara Smith on July 9, 1941, in Glendale, Calif. She moved to the Bay Area in the early 1960s to attend San Jose State where she earned her teaching credential. She went on to teach in the Walnut Creek School District where she met Peter Jensen; they were married Sept. 28, 1963, and had two children. She spent her years in Danville and Diablo, Glenbrook, Nev., and lastly in Indian Wells, Calif.

She is survived by her best friend and loving husband of 44 years, Pete; loving children, Kristin and Brett; and four beloved grandchildren. Sharon is also survived by her son-in-law, Jerry and his family; Brett's partner Kristen; sisters Susan and Nancy; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A celebration of her life was held at St. Isidore's Church in Danville on April 16. Burial was private. The family wishes, in lieu of flowers, donations to UCSF Foundation B1491, P.O. Box 45339, San Francisco, CA 94145-0339, or your favorite charity.

Harry B. McLaren

Harry B. McLaren, a resident of Danville, passed away and had services April 10 at Wilson and Kratzer Chapel of the San Ramon Valley.

He was married to Edythe McLaren for 66 years and is survived by three children, seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

James Leonard Gregory

James Leonard Gregory, who was born in 1938, died April 12 with his loving family by his side.

He was born and raised in Macon, Ga., and served in the U.S. Navy from 1956-59. He graduated from San Jose State University in 1965, where he pledged Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. He worked for many years at Apple Computer, and later owned a printing business in the Pleasanton-Danville area.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 45 years, Shirley; two daughters, Julie and Jamie, and sons-in-law, Charlie and Ryan; seven grandchildren; sisters Geraldine Gaines and Jeanette Weiche of Georgia; sister-in-law Carol and husband Jim; and many loving nieces and nephews as well as extended family; and his faithful dog Foxy.

Vito Bruno

Vito Bruno passed away at home in Danville on April 16 at the age of 79. He was born in Ohio on Feb. 12, 1928, and was a 32-year resident of Danville.

He was a Korean War Veteran served in the U.S. Army; was a self-employed machinist for 35 years;

and enjoyed fishing and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Sandra Bruno; his son, Nick Bruno of Danville; daughter, Nancy (Mike) Wentworth of Concord; and two grandchildren. A Funeral Mass was celebrated April 19 at St. Isidore Catholic Church in Danville, with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association 61 Broadway, New York, NY 10006.

Mary C. Hawkins (née Olsen)

Mary C. Hawkins (née Olsen) passed away in Danville on April 15 at the age of 81.

She was born in St. Paul, Minn., to Oscar and Cecilia (Gainor) Olsen and had been a 42-year resident of Danville. She was preceded in death by her much loved husband, Benjamin A. Hawkins. She was a longtime member of St. Isidore Catholic Church.

She is survived by her children, Thomas A. Hawkins of San Jose, Theresa (Terri) Phelan of Oakland, and John Hawkins of Danville; her sister, Theresa (Terry) McDonald of St. Paul; two grandsons; nieces, cousins and dear friends. A Funeral Mass was celebrated April 20 at St. Isidore and interment will be at Calvary Cemetery, Red Wing, Minn.

John James Gallagher

John James Gallagher passed away at his home in Danville on April 26 at the age of 84.

He was born in Ballindrait Gweedore, County Donegal, Ireland, on April 16, 1923, and was a longtime resident of Pacifica before moving to Danville in 1976.

He was a member of the Teamsters Union in San Francisco for 35 years and played Irish Football in Ireland and in San Francisco. He was a member of the United Irish Cultural Association, the Tri-Valley Irish American Club, and also enjoyed painting, gardening, reading and dancing.

He is survived by his loving wife of 48 years, Mary; children Donna (Albert) Ferreira; Michael Gallagher; Cathy (Mike) Carter and Eugene Gallagher; two grandchildren, Aidan and Colin; and his brother, Jimmy Wynne.

A Vigil Service was held May 1 at Wilson and Kratzer Chapel of San Ramon Valley with a Funeral Mass on May 2 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in San Ramon. Private interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery in Colma. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice, 6500 Dublin Blvd. Suite, 100, Dublin, CA 94568.

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Fred Weller

Fred Weller, a resident of Danville, passed away unexpectedly at home on April 25 at the age of 72.

He was born in Oklahoma on Dec. 16, 1934, and was a longtime resident of Danville. He served as an Army MP in Germany and worked in construction, retiring from Operating Engineers' Local #3; he was a business partner with his son in Diamond Sharp Equipment for 25 years and was also a real estate investor. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends at the family's Lake Shasta cabin.

He is survived by his beloved wife Beverly Weller; children Gregg, Bryan and Kristine; and grandchildren Michael, Jesse, Nikki and Ashley. He was the caring brother of Delbert, Pat, Stanley, Linda and Danny.

A funeral service was held May 1 at Wilson and Kratzer Chapel of San Ramon Valley. Interment was at Oakmont Memorial Park in Lafayette.

Judith Wood Ganley

Blackhawk resident Judith Wood Ganley, 67, passed away April 27 peacefully in her home with her husband and children at her bedside after a courageous nine-year battle against cancer.

She was born in Oakland on June 26, 1939. She graduated at the top of her class from Anna Head School for Girls in 1957, then attended Stanford University where she met her first husband, Serguey Kondratieff, whom she married in 1958. Together, they took up amateur motor racing, competing at such venues as Sears Point and Laguna Seca. After their divorce in 1969, she became a success on the

women's professional racing circuit with teammates such as Janet Guthrie. She frequently traveled to England, where she met the love of her life, Grand Prix driver Howden Ganley of New Zealand, to whom she was married for nearly 32 years. They made their home in England from 1975-99, after which they moved to Blackhawk.

Though she retired from competitive driving in 1971, she remained involved in various aspects of motor racing. She devoted her acting, singing and leadership talents for many years to the Doghouse Club, whose annual cabaret extravaganzas raised considerable funds for a variety of charitable foundations. She also excelled at golf, winning prestigious amateur tournaments. She was elected Ladies Captain of the Maidenhead Golf Club, the only non-U.K. woman ever to hold that position. She also loved outdoor activities such as fly-fishing and horseback riding, especially in the company of her family.

She was preceded in death by her father John Belden Wood Sr., her mother Marian Singer Wood, and her brother Ralph S. Wood. She is survived by her husband Howden Ganley; brothers John B. (Bindy) Wood Jr. and Edwin K. (Mary) Wood II; daughter Erin K. (Tom) Pritchett and son Eric J. (Camie) Kondratieff; and four grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at Blackhawk and in England. Donations may be made in the name of Judy Ganley to either the East Bay SPCA or to the Wheelchair Foundation, P.O. Box 2545, Danville 94526.

Barry F. Foon

Barry F. Foon, 46, passed away at his residence in Danville with his loving family at his side April 29.

He was born in Fairfield on Dec. 27, 1960. He was a vice president

of Global Sales for the Celestica Corp. His passion was golf, and he was a member of the Blackhawk Country Club. He also enjoyed bowling, bonsai trees, playing cards and mah-jong with friends, and traveling to Hawaii, Scottsdale and Las Vegas.

He is survived by his loving wife Lisa; daughters, Samantha, age 6, and Sydney, age 4; parents Thomas and Evelyn Foon; brothers Brady (Genie) and Burt (Carolyn); nephews Neel and Ryan; niece Megan; mother and father-in-law, Edgar and Betty Okafugi; brother and sister-in-law, Matt and Laura Fukuda; niece Kira; and nephew Kenzo.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Samantha and Sydney Education Fund, Wells Fargo account No. 5004879614. Funeral services were held at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Fairfield with a private burial at Rockville Cemetery.

Salvador de la Madrid

Danville resident Salvador de la Madrid passed away May 3 at the age of 95. He was born Jan. 12, 1912.

He loved to bowl and continued to enjoy the sport until he was 94. He especially enjoyed his trips to Reno with his Danville Senior League and was a fan of horse racing and baseball.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Rebecca. He is survived by his son Salvador Jr.; daughter, Sylvia Martinez (Richard); and two older sisters, Eva and Emma; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; and his dear friend Jack.

A rosary and chapel blessing were held May 8-9 with burial at the Italian Cemetery in Colma. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice, 6500 Dublin Blvd., Suite 100, Dublin 94568-3151, or to a hospice of your choice.

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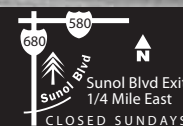
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FIRE BULLETIN

Fire engulfs garage of home for sale

A homeowner, her guest and her cats fled her home near Blackhawk when flames devoured her garage last Friday, May 11.

Her garage, which is attached to her home on Jasmine Way in Danville, caught on fire at 10:20 p.m. Her guest heard the smoke detector by the garage go on, and he called the San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District for help. He saw the blaze burning when he opened the door to the garage.

He closed the door immediately and called 911.

"That is a very significant action that prevented the fire from traveling to the house," said fire investigator Mike Mentink.

The guest, the homeowner and her cats evacuated the property and waited for the fire department to arrive. Approximately 34 firefighters showed up and doused the fire with water.

The garage and wooden furniture and boxes of books and records stored in the garage were burned in the fire. The front ends of two cars, which were parked outside the garage, were burned, too. But they were not seriously damaged, said Mentink. Firefighters contained the blaze in the garage.

The property owner is in the process of selling her house, Mentink said. She was storing some of her belongings inside the garage because she was holding an open house.

"The homeowner was distraught," Mentink said. "It's not easy."

Fire officials are investigating the cause of the blaze.

Mentink noted the importance of smoke detectors, saying, "Smoke detectors make a big difference."

—Jordan M. Doronila

POLICE LOG

The Danville Police Department made the following information available from its incident summary report:

Sunday, May 6

- Miscellaneous burglary on Camino Amigo at 10:40 a.m.
- Vandalism on Everett Dr. at 12:29 p.m.

Monday, May 7

- Petty theft on Boone Ct. at 12:18 p.m.
- Credit card fraud on Diablo Rd. at 12:45 p.m.
- Credit card fraud on Fountain Springs Cir. at 1:24 p.m.
- Drunk in public on Hartz Ave. at 3:17 p.m.
- Warrant on El Pintado Rd. at 5:01 p.m.

Tuesday, May 8

- Grand theft on El Pintado Rd. at 9:41 a.m.
- Identity theft on River Rock Ln. at 9:46 a.m. and 10:07 a.m.
- Misdemeanor hit-and-run on Camino Tassajara at 4:09 p.m.
- Vandalism on Stone Valley Rd. at 4:16 p.m.
- Auto burglary on Diablo Rd. at 5:53 p.m.
- Petty theft on Boyd Ct. at 8:27 p.m.
- Drunk in public on Boone Ct. at 11:05 p.m.

Wednesday, May 9

- Disturbance on Diablo Rd. and Hartz Ave. at 7:59 a.m.
- Vandalism on San Ramon Valley Blvd. at 9:14 a.m.
- Grand theft on Silver Lake Dr. at 9:21 a.m.

- Accident, property damage, on Hartz Ave. at 2:57 p.m.
- Littering on Danville Oak Pl. at 3:22 p.m.
- Alcohol intoxicated subject on San Ramon Valley Blvd. at 4:14 p.m.
- Accident, property damage, on Camino Tassajara at 4:18 p.m.
- Public nuisance on El Pintado Rd. at 6:39 p.m.
- Public nuisance on Dolphin Dr. and Hideaway Ct. at 7:31 p.m.
- Suspicious circumstances on Valley Creek Ln. at 10:06 p.m.

Thursday, May 10

- Accident, property damage, on Danville Blvd. and Del Amigo Rd. at 7:35 a.m.
- Warrant on Trish Ln. at 7:56 a.m.
- Brandishing weapon on Hartz Ave. at 10:51 a.m.
- Threats disturbance on Meadow Blossom Ct. at 11:58 a.m.
- Threats disturbance on Clear Creek Pl. S. at 4:50 p.m.
- Petty theft on Valley Creek Ln. at 4:57 p.m.
- Vandalism on Love Ln. at 5:44 p.m.
- Petty theft on Railroad Ave. and San Ramon Valley Blvd. at 7:28 p.m.
- Residential burglary on S. Forest Hill Pl. at 9:13 p.m.
- Fight disturbance on Camino Tassajara at 9:51 p.m.
- Music disturbance on Camino Ramon Pl. at 11:59 p.m.

Friday, May 11

- Vandalism on Del Amigo Rd. at 1:15 p.m.

- Petty theft on Holbrook Dr. at 1:31 p.m.
- Misdemeanor hit-and-run on Town and Country Dr. at 2:57 p.m.
- Public nuisance on Elizabeth Ln. at 5:43 p.m.
- Party disturbance on St. Mark Ct. at 10:20 p.m. and 10:57 p.m.
- Threats disturbance on Blackstone Dr. at 11:40 p.m.

Saturday, May 12

- Battery on Boone Ct. at 12:25 a.m.
- Party disturbance on Sycamore Cir. at 1:39 a.m.
- Suspicious circumstances on Camino Ramon at 4:58 a.m.
- Suspicious circumstances on Greenbrook Dr. and Harlan Dr. at 6:38 a.m.
- Accident on Camino Ramon and Sycamore Valley Rd. at 8:57 a.m.
- Accident, property damage, on Diablo Rd. and Green Valley Rd. at 8:59 a.m.
- Petty theft on W. Prospect Ave. and Railroad Ave. at 9:48 a.m.
- Accident, major injuries, on San Ramon Valley Blvd. at 12:04 p.m.
- Animal cruelty on Brookside Dr. at 1:08 p.m.
- Minor in possession of alcohol on Windstream Pl. at 2:29 p.m.
- Petty theft on San Ramon Valley Blvd. at 2:40 p.m.
- Alcohol intoxicated subject on Hartz Ave. at 10:27 p.m.
- Party disturbance on Camino Tassajara and Mansfield Dr. at 11:09 p.m.

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Local lacrosse teams share title

Mustangs avenge loss, clinch co-championship

by Rachel McMurdie

In a drama-filled Friday night game at San Ramon Valley High School, the Monte Vista boys lacrosse team ended its regular season with a 10-7 win over the San Ramon Valley Wolves, avenging an early-season loss and sealing its spot as East Bay Athletic League co-champions.

Monte Vista shares its co-champion title with the Wolves, who knocked off the Mustangs in the first half of the league season in a 13-4 upset.

The teams finished the EBAL season 11-1, but the Mustangs (16-4, 11-1), by virtue of a better second-half record, earned the automatic berth to the North Coast Section playoffs. San Ramon Valley, which was seeded second by the NCS committee Sunday, will also compete for the NCS title.

The Wolves (15-5, 11-1) were to play seventh-seeded Marin Catholic (14-7) while the Mustangs, seeded first, played Amador Valley (12-7) on Tuesday, May 15, in the first round. If both teams advance through the two rounds of playoffs this week, they'll meet again Saturday, May 19, for the NCS championship. If it's anything like Friday's game the crowd won't be disappointed.

Monte Vista set the tone early Friday night, taking a 3-0 lead over the first quarter. But San Ramon tied the game at 3-3 at the half. With the Wolves back in the game, the two teams fought back and forth. Monte Vista took a 7-5 lead before the Wolves tied it 7-7 with 10:51 to play. But in the final 10



Action was hot and heavy at San Ramon Valley High School as its boys lacrosse team battled Monte Vista. The Mustangs won, 10-7, avenging an early-season loss, and making the two teams co-champions of the East Bay Athletic League, both going into North Coast Section playoffs.

minutes, the Mustangs made the plays they needed, scoring three times to get the win.

Matt Hartman scored four times to lead the Mustangs, while sophomore Brett Olivera had three assists, two on Hartman goals. Monte Vista goalie Dylan Westfall had 22 saves.

Matt Rudow had three goals to lead San Ramon Valley, with Cam Giroux and Patrick Sornsin each picking up two assists.

Swimming

San Ramon Valley boys swept all three relay events and got individual wins from Byron Gruendl, Porter Kalbus and Taylor Herman to capture the EBAL swim title at Amador Valley with 553.5 points last Friday. Monte Vista (317.5) was a distant second, followed by California (301).

The Wolves went on to break the EBAL meet record in the 200-yard freestyle relay, by shaving nearly a second off the meet record time of 1:29.12, set in 2002 by Monte Vista, by finishing in 1:28.24. The Wolves also won the 200 medley relay by nearly six seconds in 1:38.44. Gruendl won the 50 freestyle in 22.38 and Kalbus took the 100 butterfly in 53.19. Other Wolves wins included the 400 freestyle relay (3:20.07) and Herman in the 100 backstroke (55.56).

Monte Vista, led by a pair of wins from Paige Bradley, won the girls title with 521.5 points. Bradley won the 200 individual medley in 2:08.43 and set a meet record in the 100 butterfly with a time of 57.60.

Track and field

San Ramon Valley senior Kelly Fogarty set two personal records and helped launch her team to first place in the 400 relay at Saturday's East Bay Athletic League track and field finals held at Amador Valley High School.

Fogarty set top marks in the 100 (11.92) and the 200 (24.49). Earlier in the day she led the Wolves to first-place victory in the 400 relay (48.89). The highlight for Fogarty was the 100, where she managed to break the 12-second mark, 0.20 seconds faster than her previous personal record.

In boys competition, Chris Krychev of Monte Vista qualified for the state meet in both the shot put and the discus. At Saturday's league finals, Krychev won the shot put with a huge toss of 61-feet, 9-inches—over six feet ahead of the second place finisher—then took the discus with an easy heave of 176-81/2, a mark 15 feet clear of second place. ■

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Victory is sweet

The Sweetshots won the 2007 AAU Girls Pacific District Championship held in Reno, Nev., over the weekend of May 5-6, defeating the SportStrong Cougars 25-22. The fifth-grade basketball champs are (top, l-r) Lily Wissinger, Dana Outcalt, Kylie Baumgartner, Alexandra Quilici, Rachel Tagle, (bottom) Erika Perez, Remi White, Madison Castelein, Erin Donnelly, Melissa Lewis.

PREP SCHEDULE

Friday, May 18

Baseball: Monte Vista at San Ramon Valley, 3:45 p.m.

Swimming and Diving: NCS Trials at Cowell Pool

Girl's Lacrosse: NCS Finals

Friday-Saturday, May 18-19

Boy's Tennis: CIF/NORCAL Team Championships

Swimming and Diving: NCS

Saturday, May 19

Swimming and Diving: NCS Finals at Cowell Pool

Track and Field: NCS Tri Valley at Granada

Boy's Lacrosse: NCS Championships

Sunday, May 20

Softball: NCS Meeting at Los Lomas

Monday, May 21

Girl's Golf: Nor Cal Tournament

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Open studios give everyone a glimpse at the creative process

by Natalie O'Neill

If art is good as gold, then the Danville Area Open Studios Tour is a treasure hunt. With 16 locations mapped out, art lovers can explore the homes and studios of local artists to see paintings, sculptures, blown glass and photographs—in the very space they were created.

"There's something different about seeing art next to the artist. The public ends up connecting with the piece because they had that experience—they're able to get that deeper meaning," says Tracy Bauer, spokeswoman for the event.

Forty-two artists' works will be shown at locations in Danville, Alamo and San Ramon from 1-7 p.m., Friday-Sunday, June 1-3. Artists will be painting and sculpting on-site during that time also. Tour-goers can begin their visits at the Danville Library to get an overview of artistic styles and what will be showing where.

Participants can then easily navigate to the locations where their preferred art is shown. Pieces will also be featured at the Town Hall and the Veteran's Memorial Building in downtown Danville.

"It's a great time to explore your surroundings. It's like an open house," Bauer said. "Sometimes you go even if you're not necessarily intending to buy... a lot of artists are staging it as a garden party."

Painting sales will help raise funds for art supplies at Danville schools and support local talent in the often daunting task of making a living as an artist, Bauer said. To find out more information about the art or the locations, contact artists at phone numbers listed below.

In a time when schools are cutting art funds nationally—and local artists everywhere are struggling to afford gallery spaces—this "treasure hunt" helps keep Danville culturally rich.

1. 3012 Sandstone Road, Alamo

Beth Batchelor

Recognized for her vibrant and sensitive oil paintings, Batchelor specializes in portraits of people and pets that illuminate the subject's personality. As the co-founder of the Alamo-Danville Artists Society, she says, "The pursuit of perfection is a dedicated lifelong study." Reach her at 837-5654.

Janice Byer

As the first-place winner of the 2006 San Ramon Arts Walk & Festival, she paints in oil and pastel—but specializes in watercolor. When she paints, she strives for a clean, passionate, detailed style. Reach her at (510) 734-1424.

Elizabeth Lehrer

This artist creates jewelry, paints with water colors, and currently trains with Beth Bachelor. Reach her at 708-5592.

Marilyn Mattson

After spending time advocating for the arts, holistic health and human services, Mattson is progressively spending more time developing her own artwork. She paints figures with several mediums and contributes time to Bay Area nonprofit groups. Reach her at 352-6547.



"Grand Opening," painted in Lorrie Cockrum's signature dramatic style, is a 24 by 36 inch watercolor.

2. 400 Hartz Ave, Danville—Veteran's Memorial Hall

Inge Behrens

In 1984, Behrens started the business Calligraphy Creations in order to design logos for award certificates and catalogs. But now, calligraphy is just the tip of the iceberg. She currently paints florals on large canvases and has training in wood cutting etching, stained glass, pastels and paper making. Reach her at 262-3457.

Diane Ringwood

"I have been painting with the delicious colors of pastels in the outdoors," Ringwood says. "I love it." With a degree in interior design and ceramics, this artist has been able to apply her skill locally, gaining her recognition and awards from organizations like the Contra Costa Arts Commission and Newark Arts Council. Reach her at 314-3034.

Fran Chuba

This Boston native and graduate of Columbia College now works as a dental hygienist, that is, when she's not using watercolors to create "smile design portraits" and portraits of hands. Chuba prefers the challenges and vibrancy of watercolors. Reach her at 360-3169.

Lorrie Cockrum

By zooming in on a specific part of a flower blossom, she creates dramatically vivid images. Reach her at 360-3169. **Ann Saavedra** will also be showing her art at this location.

3. 361 Castle Crest Road, Alamo

Joe Bologna

Creating metal sculpture balances this artist's otherwise "right angled career" as an architect in Walnut Creek. Applying his knowledge of structural design, he's able to channel his whimsical humor through his art. Bologna has welded an old car frame, boxcar springs, and pipe column pieces into a large garden arbor. Reach him at 934-4290.

Peter Coffee

Upon retiring from corporate life, Coffee finally got the chance to delve into his passion for glass work five years ago. "Working with glass is really addicting," he says. "You can't start and stop a piece—you must either finish it or throw it away. It's really about painting with glass to create something others will enjoy." Reach him at (510) 703-8587.

David Mudgett

Now a full time artist, he designs one-of-a-kind sculptures with steel and natural elements. Mudgett specializes in outdoor abstracts, garden tables and detailed indoor pieces and has won first place at 3-dimensional fine art competitions. Reach him at 944-5227.

Anne Trouve

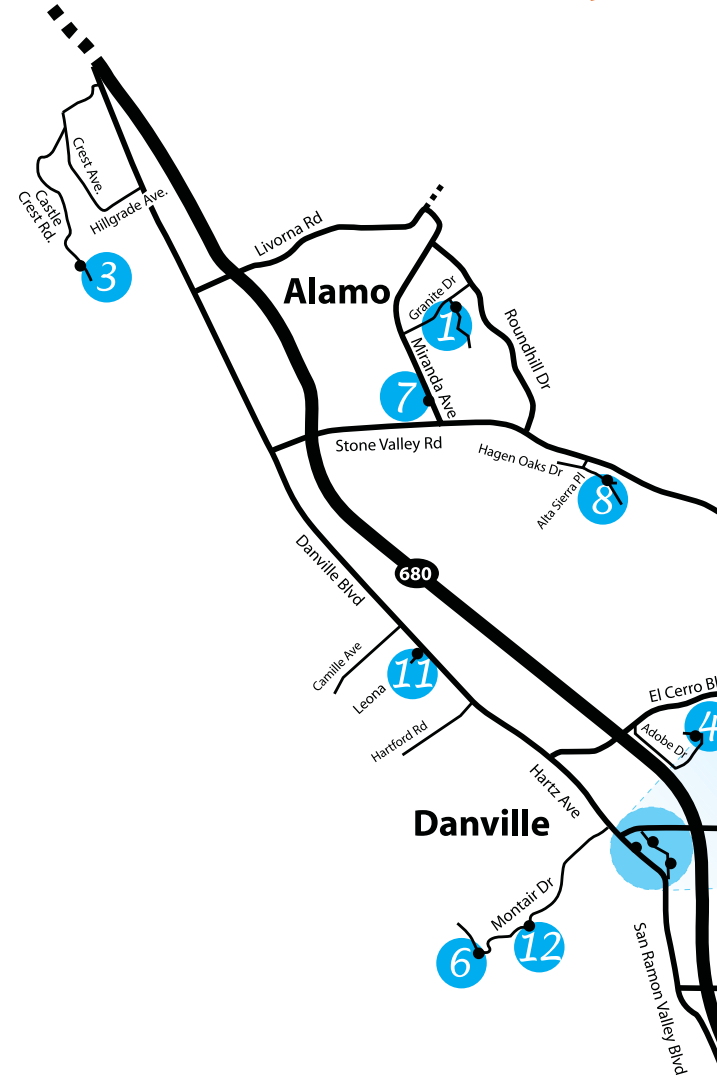
This artist strives to communicate the "surprises and intrinsic beauty of all that surrounds us" in her photography. She recently began using a digital camera and is now looking forward to experimenting with techniques to make her photos look more surreal. Reach her at (510) 339-6459.

4. 691 Adobe Drive, Danville

Helena Cali

With an art degree from San Francisco State University, Cali resumed her career in oil painting after taking time off to raise a family. She uses oils to capture her favorite subjects: travel scenes, floral still lifes and landscapes. Reach her at 837-1003.

Artists



"Junkyard Dog" by Joe Bologna is a 16 by 10 inch scrap steel sculpture, an industrial medium that has earned him success and exposure for his innovative ideas.

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Pauline Cortez

Serving on the Alamo-Danville Artists Society board, Cortez puts countless hours into volunteering for causes to benefit the local arts scene. She uses oils and enjoys learning new techniques from mentors in the Danville area. Reach her at 944-6371.

Susan Dennis

Dennis feels lucky that her home overlooks Mount Diablo, providing her the view she needs to record how the changing seasons affect the mountain. She prefers watercolors and is currently experimenting with collage. Reach her at 837-6577.

5. 636 Brookside, Danville

Don Eagling

This award-winning impressionist painter came West after college to “enjoy the sea and the mountains”—his favorite subjects. He has used oils and acrylics to capture the Sierra Nevada and the Cascades and prefers to paint outside. Reach him at 837-2228.

Catharine Fasciato

Expressing an emotion or a mood to “deeply convey” what she sees is Fasciato’s goal. She has shown her oils at the Valley Art Gallery in Walnut Creek, the Danville Fine Arts Gallery and the Epperson Gallery in Crockett. Reach her at 687-4846.

Bill Gwynne

As a self-taught studio oil painter, Gwynne recreates scenes by using photographs from his trips to France, Great Britain, Japan and China. He enjoys when “people feel transported to the international locals.” Reach him at 245-7543.

Lin Padden

Her career as a psychologist and the time she spent raising a family made it difficult for Padden to explore her artistic side. But when she returned back to art classes in 1972, she developed a love for landscape oil painting and is now a grandmother of 14. She has a painting that commemorates Sept. 11 hanging in the Pentagon. Reach her at 837-7664.

6. 234 Montair Drive, Danville

Tricia Grame

This artist works in both 2- and 3-dimensional forms to express her 25 years of education in women’s studies and art. She works in many mediums and has served as a curator at exhibits in the Bay Area and Italy. Reach her at 820-1183.

7. 3169 Miranda Ave., Alamo

Gwen Harris

Her passion for European street life and the costal scenes of Nantucket have inspired her pallet knife and brush work-based paintings. These highly textured pieces have won awards at county fairs and group shows. Reach her at 829-4876.

Wanda Kemper

“Being a portrait artist affords me the opportunity to combine my love for people with my desire to paint,” Kemper says. This still life painter immerses herself in workshops in order to continue to grow as an artist. Reach her at 691-5030.



“Valley Harvest” is a 24 by 36-inch oil painting by Stephen Sanfilippo, who prefers to paint outdoors.

Stephen Sanfilippo

Juried by the Napa Valley Museum as one of the best California “plein air” painters, Sanfilippo’s recent release of paintings include vineyards, pathways, rocky seascapes and hills. He was also identified in Southwest Art Magazine as an artist to watch in the “Art in Unexpected Places” section. When he moved from San Francisco to Alamo in 2005, he bonded quickly with the arts community and surrounding landscapes. Reach him at 820-2050.

Sandra Speights

This lifestyles painter enjoys an emphasis on travel, wine, and cooking and aims to make everyday things become profound. “I think that classical subject matter continues to be very popular because it brings balance and harmony to our busy, modern lives,” she says. Reach her at 858-4506.

Charles White

With more than 50 years of painting experience, White has been a teacher to many artists involved in the tour. He has mastered the “radiant interplay of light and shadow in nature” and travels the world to find the most spectacular landscapes. His paintings of Mount Diablo are sought after by many collectors and his works are published by Hadley House and shown in galleries in Carmel and Calistoga. Reach him at 886-8659.

8. 2371 Hagen Oaks Drive, Alamo

Morgan Howell

After studying at UC Berkeley under well-known painters like E. John Robinson, Howell began to find inspiration from his travels in Mexico and Greece. “Painting has become an important part of my life,” he says, “I enjoy the beauty of the outdoors and appreciate all the color, light, shapes and shadows in our environment.” Reach him at 820-1420.

9. 236 Waterman Circle, Danville

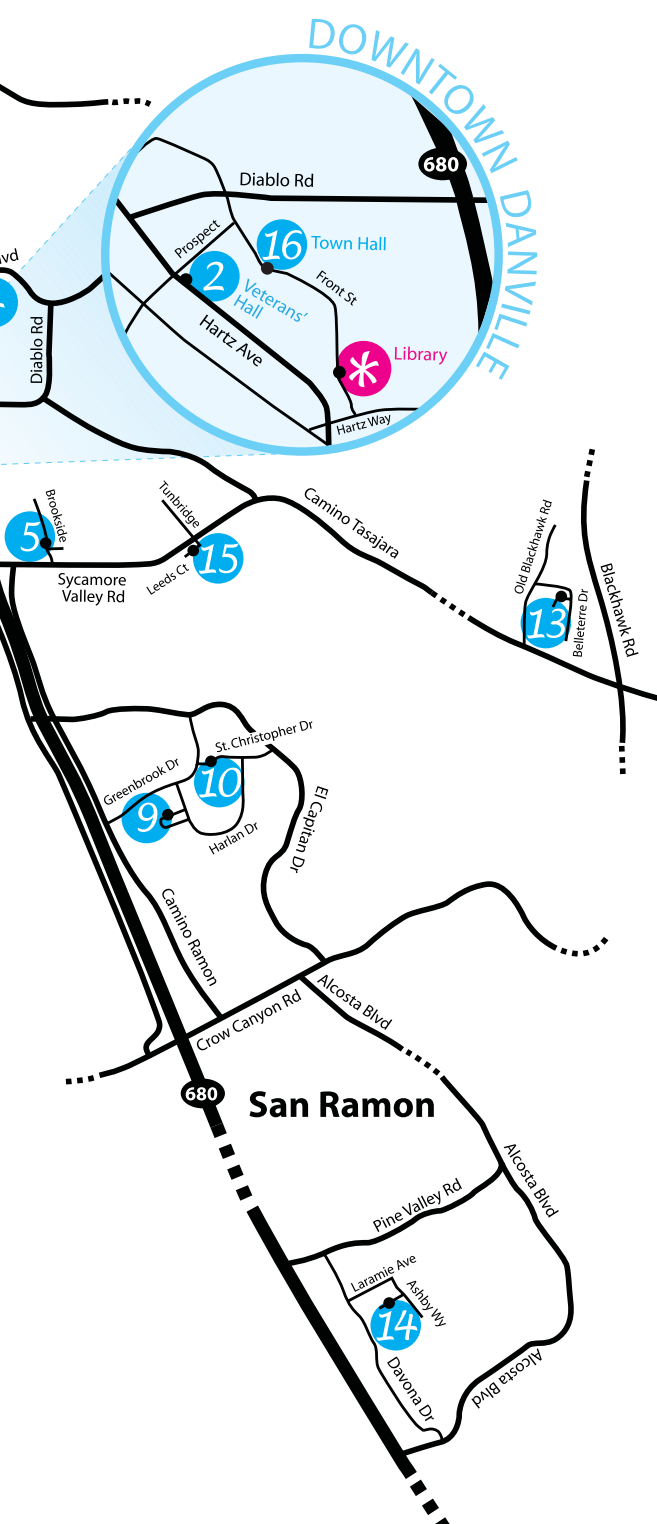
Martha Kean

Functional clay art is the focus of this artist’s work and she loves the idea of people using her pottery in their everyday lives. Her work is represented by the Valley Art Gallery in Walnut Creek. Reach her at 820-3012.

Evelyn Marvin

Danville residents might recognize Marvin’s combination of oil, acrylic and pastel landscapes from displays in the Danville Fine

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"Sign of the Cross," by Diane Rodriguez was fashioned after trains from her husband's model train store and is a 20 by 24 inch watercolor.

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Arts Gallery. She became hooked on art when she moved to California and a friend suggested they take painting classes at Diablo Valley College. Reach her at 820-6142.

10. 206 St. Christopher, Danville

Richard Mortensen

Gorgeous color-fused glass sculptures are what sets this artist apart. Reach him at 820-8210.

11. 132 Leona Court

Norman Nicholson

The Smithsonian. The White House. The State Capitol Building. These are just a few of the places Nicholson has shown his paintings. With a long, successful career in illustration and painting for corporate marketing, the Alamo artist recently won "Best of Show" for the Slopes of Diablo exhibit at Valley Art Gallery in Walnut Creek. Reach him at 837-3372.

Helen Westcott

Serene, moody landscapes depicting her native New England, along with Northern California, are Westcott's forte. She takes workshops by accomplished artists and attends life drawing lessons. Reach her at hgseven@yahoo.com.

12. 154 Montair Drive, Danville

Nola Pardi Proll

After taking "life-changing" classes in Italy, Proll switched from wood to marble about eight years ago. She loves to discover the veins and colors hidden in marble at the polishing stage and she uses objects in nature as inspiration. Reach her at 837-4785.

13. 409 Triomphe Court, Danville

Robin Purcell

Some say this artist's passion for Mount Diablo borders on obsessive. But her constant exploration of the subject has helped put Danville's "favorite hill" on the map. Reach her at 648-0971.

14. 67 Hazelnut Court, San Ramon

Diane Rodriguez

Painting trains with watercolors is Rodriguez's specialty, partly because her husband owns a train hobby

store. "The world presents many special moments for an artist to paint. Some last for only a moment, but linger in the soul and mind," she says. Reach her at 462-1919.

Norma Webb

As a California native and a "farmer's daughter," she enjoys rural subjects and romantically realistic landscapes abroad and at home. "Traveling with oil paints is a challenge of its own, but is extremely inspiring," she says. Reach her at 828-9170.

15. 57 Leeds Court, Danville

Sammy Shaheen

Known for her bold, colorful and expressive mixed media art, Shaheen uses humans and nature as her subjects. She has been a professional artist for more than 20 years and has a collection of paintings featuring people in action—usually dancing—along with scenes from nature.

16. 210 Front St.—Town Meeting Hall

Sally Anne Belshe

This artist owned and operated "Stained Glass by Sally" for eight years and designed and built original glass panels and 3-dimensional freestanding glass. She is presently taking formal art classes and creating hand-crafted silver jewelry, watercolor pieces and pastels. Reach her at 376-7677.

Mary Lloyd

Using oils allows Lloyd to leave brushstrokes that contribute texture—adding dimension to a scene. "I have always felt lucky that I have a desire to draw and paint," she says, "because I feel artists see and appreciate some things more than the average person." Reach her at 828-1307.

Jane Taggart

This oil and acrylic painter basks in the camaraderie and exchange of ideas that comes from the network of artists in the Alamo-Danville Artists Society. Reach her at 930-0898.

Janice Threm

The Yosemite area offers her breathtaking subjects. Reach her at 689-0924.

Wendy Yuan

Before moving to California, she was an engineering student in Massachusetts, where her role as art editor at a campus publication kept her inspired. Blending impressionism and realism has now gained her recognition in local art groups. Reach her at 256-8845. ■

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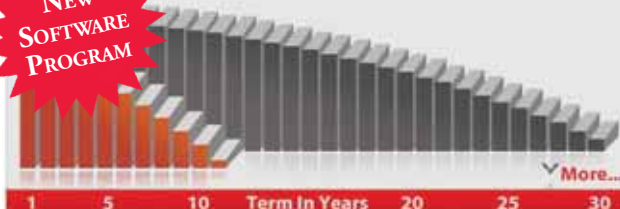
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STOP! CHILDREN CROSSING
GUARDS PULL TOUGH DUTY AT BUSIEST INTERSECTION IN TOWN.

Story and photos by **Jordan M. Doronila**

It's a red light. Stop the traffic! Julie Silva walks forward, raises her sign, and tells the kids they can now cross the street.

For the past five years, Silva has helped children navigate the hordes of cars zipping through the intersection at Diablo and Green Valley roads in Danville. As a crossing guard she watches over 700 kids, who mostly attend Green Valley Elementary and Los Cerros Middle schools.

Administrators, teachers and parents from Green Valley said she is doing a marvelous job.

"I would say I encourage students to go down to Miss Julie," said Green Valley physical education instructor Lynne Frey. "I know she's going to watch out for them."

"Julie is very logical," Frey added. "She does a wonderful job. She's just a positive fixture in our school. She knows all the kids."

Silva said the traffic is heavy at the intersection. Much of it comes from the schools and commuters heading to work. The peak hours are 7:30 to 8:30 in the morning, and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

"Each year it's a little worse," Silva said. "I don't see a solution."

She said some drivers are unaware of their surroundings at times.

"They are not paying attention," she said, adding most of the drivers are cooperative. "They look to the left but they are just not looking."

Staff members from the Town of Danville said they have been making every effort to improve conditions at the Diablo and Green Valley intersection for the past 20 years.

Engineers have fine-tuned the traffic light's signaling at the

intersection and have done extensive studies regarding the right turn in that area, said Town Manager Joe Calabrigo.

"It's a very congested intersection," said Calabrigo. "We are doing the best we can."



Top: Crossing guard Julie Silva makes sure children from Green Valley Elementary get safely across the busy intersection on Diablo and Green Valley roads. Below: A parade of children and their parents walk from one street to another, with Silva's help.

Davidon Homes will construct a road connecting Blemer Road and Matadera Way on the new development that was recently approved, which will help alleviate the traffic, staff said.

Tai Williams, town transportation services director, said Measure J, a sales tax to fund transportation improvements in the San Ramon Valley, may help supplement busing in the community.

Nonetheless, solutions are limited.

"We have really tweaked those signals as much as we can tweak them," Williams said.

Despite intense traffic, Silva carries on her duties to protect pedestrians.

"It's difficult making sure cars stop," she said, before she can let the children leave the curb.

She said when it's raining it can be an intense experience.

Silva was born and raised in Danville. She noted there weren't as many homes then, and she used to ride a school bus in her youth. She attended Green Valley Elementary and Los Cerros Middle School, then went to Amador Valley High School in Pleasanton.

After graduating high school, she worked for six years as a clerk at Conaga Foods in the shipping and receiving department during the 1980s.

"It was fun," she said.

She ended up 11 years ago working in the San Ramon Valley Unified School District because her younger brother worked at the Los Cerros Middle School campus. She started working in the food service program.

Later on, district officials were looking for crossing guards. She accepted the job offer five years ago and said the benefits

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—medical and dental—attracted her to the position. “They still have problems getting people,” Silva said. “The job has split hours.”

Silva said she likes being a crossing guard. “It’s not that nervewracking,” she said. “The parents are wonderful.”

“I like being around children,” she added. “Kids make me laugh.”

Silva likes waterskiing and used to enjoy it in the Delta, she said. She also rides motorized bikes, and likes to go fishing and explore the desert.

She hopes the public becomes aware of the potentially hazardous intersection and exercises caution in the area.

“I just want the public to be aware of that surrounding,” Silva said. ■



Silva enjoys being around her young pedestrians.

OF NOTE

Alamo students chosen for Innerspark

Two Alamo residents—Alyssa Lempesis, a student at San Ramon Valley High School, and Theodore Urdea, a student at Acalanes High—are among nine Contra Costa County students who have been selected to participate in an intensive pre-professional training program at Innerspark, the California State Summer School for the Arts. It will be held at the campus of the California Institute of the Arts in Valencia.

The California State Summer School for the Arts (InnerSpark) is a rigorous, pre-professional, month-long training program in the visual and performing arts, creative writing, animation and film for talented artists of high school age. Alyssa was chosen for the discipline of creative writing; Theodore, for theater.

The Arts and Culture Commission of Contra Costa County is sponsoring a public recognition ceremony for the Contra Costa students at the May 22 meeting of the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors, at 9:30 a.m. The Board Chambers are located at 651 Pine St., Martinez.

Honors for software service

Assemblyman Guy Houston (R, San Ramon) honored Autonomic Software for its commitment to providing innovative technology, managed services, and educational seminars to help small businesses protect their business information networks. The certificate of honor was presented at a seminar in Danville on April 26.

“Autonomic Software is committed to providing an ongoing educational program to small and medium businesses to help them understand and manage the security of their business networks,” said Tony Gigliotti, CEO and President, Autonomic Software. “Businesses need to understand what they are dealing with in order to keep their networks secure.”

Time for tools at the museum

Got tools? Bring your antique tools to the Museum of the San Ramon Valley from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, May 19, and meet with an expert and other tool enthusiasts. The event is being held in conjunction with the current exhibit, “Out of the Attic,” which includes a recently acquired collection of 106 tools from the turn of the century donated by long-time resident Howard Ferreira. Historic clothing, photographs and documents are also on display during this exhibit, which runs through May 31. The museum is located at 205 Railroad Ave., Danville. Call 837-3750.

Student writer can win \$1,000

The Arts and Culture Commission of Contra Costa County is assisting the California Arts Council with a short story writing contest designed to encourage young people to create literature by reflecting on their lives and emotional experiences to create literature.

High school juniors are eligible to enter the competition to describe an emotional journey in an 800-word story. The student winner will receive \$1,000 with the winner’s school library getting another \$1,000. The deadline for the story, submitted in hard copy and electronically, is June 1. For information, go to www.cac.ca.gov/mycastoryslam/.



First-grader Samantha Gotz works her personal snack stand at her brother’s baseball game to raise money to “end modern-day slavery.”

Got any change?

San Ramon Christian Academy recently held a “change drive,” which it does several times a year for different causes, according to Leslie Knight, the student in charge.

Some of the causes have been for its sister school, the San Francisco Christian Academy in the Tenderloin, and the Leukemia Lymphoma Society. The last change drive for the year is raising money for “International Justice Mission,” which works at freeing modern day slaves, Leslie said.

First-grader Samantha Gotz put up a snack stand at her brother’s baseball game to help raise money for Loose Change to Loosen Chains, Ending Modern Day Slavery.

She had waters, donuts, peanuts and sunflower seeds and a sign reading, “Donations Welcome.”

“She had a successful day and raised \$63.85!” reported Leslie. “This is one young girl making a difference! Way to go, Samantha!”

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The Pet Vet says...

BY DR. HEIDI STRAND



Befriending a feral cat takes time

by Dr. Heidi Strand

Q. I found two young kittens in my back yard. They can't be more than 4 or 5 months old. They aren't very trusting of me although they do come up to eat the food I leave out. They will rub against my leg but they don't let me reach down and pet them. Is there anything I can do to make them trust me so I can handle them?

A. In order to become good pets, all kittens need to be socialized, which is the process of learning to interact socially with humans and with other animals. Cats who are not socialized are commonly called feral. The best window of time to socialize kittens is between 2 and 7 weeks of age. The older the cat is when socialization is begun, the more difficult the process is, particularly if they have been exposed to experiences that cause fearfulness. It's very likely that your kittens can be socialized if you are willing to invest some time (about an hour a day) and some money (for supplies). The Fix our Ferals program offers some excellent information on taming cats. You can call it at (510) 433-9446 or visit its Web site, www.fixourferals.org for more information.

Q. I am currently fostering a dog and hoping to adopt him. He is infested with ticks! We have given him tick baths and he still has ticks. What do we need to do to get rid of them once and for all?

A. Ticks are arthropod parasites (related to spiders) that attach to pets and feed on blood until they are engorged, then drop off. They can bite people as well

as wildlife. They are prevalent in Northern California in brush or forested areas. April through July is the season when people and pets are most likely to be bitten by ticks while hiking or picnicking. Tick bites can transmit diseases, including Lyme disease, which can cause serious health problems for pets and people. Ticks can be very difficult to get rid of. We have had the most success using Frontline Top Spot. (It is also available for cats.) It is a once-a-month treatment which is applied to the skin and kills both fleas and ticks.

To prevent ticks from attaching in the first place, keep your lawn trimmed and clear of mulch or leaf litter, and avoid tall grass or brush where ticks breed. After being in the brush or forest, check your dog thoroughly before bringing him indoors to ensure he doesn't bring home any unwanted visitors. If you find a tick, remove it by grasping the mouthparts as close as possible to the skin with tweezers. Do not use alcohol, a lit match, or anything else to try to get the tick out. If mouthparts appear to be left behind after cleaning with soap and water, you may want to consult your veterinarian, as the wounds can get infected easily.

—Dr. Heidi Strand is a veterinarian for the East Bay SPCA in Dublin. She has lived in the Tri-Valley for 10 years with her family and an assortment of four-legged friends. Questions can be mailed to 315 Diablo Road, Suite 100, Danville 94526; or e-mailed to hstrand@eastbayspca.org. Her column runs every other week.

AT THE MOVIES

Movie review: Georgia Rule ★

Rating: R for language and sexual situations

Run Time: 1 hour, 43 minutes

Lindsay Lohan flaunts designer threads and a shabby attitude in this messier-than-thou melodrama that's guaranteed to repel.

Lohan is Rachel, a spoiled California tramp and one in a long line of screwed-up family females. Antagonism runs rampant between mom and daughter, and mom (Felicity Huffman as Lilly) finds herself, not surprisingly, at wits end. Sigh.

The only reasonable solution is to ship Rachel off to her grandmother Georgia (Jane Fonda) who lives a god-fearing life in Hull, Idaho, a paean to idyllic small-town living.

Courtesy of the clunkiest dialogue this side of the Mississippi ("For a smart girl, you're good at stupid") dark secrets are revealed—among them the fact that mom is a closet drinker, Rachel does drugs and promiscuous sex, and the ubiquitous step-dad (a bloated Cary Elwes) may have been taking liberties of the salacious sort.

Local characters pepper Stepford—the aw-shucks love interest (Garrett Hedlund), the handsome but suffering doc (Dermot Mulroney), and hyper-snoopy neighbors—all part and parcel of the slapdash "plot" and misguided attempt at critical drama.

Lohan overplays her hand, not that the role



demands subtlety. Hostile and obnoxious, she does nothing to dispel oft-circulating rumors of bratty behavior and everything to prove that art imitates life. Among her choicest bon mots—"You don't have to brush me or feed me after riding me." Ouch.

"Georgia" never finds its groove, vacillating wildly between pathetic pathos, emotional blackmail and stabs—only stabs—at gentle humor.

I took a bullet so you don't have to. Skip it.

—Jeanne Aufmuth

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Who's in charge? Incorporation efforts in the 1970s (Part 2)

In the 1970s, proponents tried to incorporate a San Ramon Valley-wide city twice. Both attempts, in 1973 and 1976, went down to defeat. The freeway was finished south to Danville in 1964 and extended to Dublin in 1966; valley population escalated from 28,000 in 1970 to 57,307 in 1980. Advocates for incorporation felt it was almost too late for local people to affect a rapid development because it was being controlled by the County Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors. Nonetheless, two huge volunteer efforts were mounted.

The Jan. 23, 1973, vote was the result of an active effort by people throughout the Valley. There was a campaign office, a speakers bureau and neighborhood grassroots organization. The Taxpayers for Incorporation touted the need for local control and population growth that would reflect the rural nature of the valley. They noted that only 64 percent of local tax dollars were being spent in the Valley. Committee members included Gene Rolandelli, Roy Bloss, Bill Ketsdever and Richard Kennett.

The Valley Residents for Non-Incorporation stated that taxes would go up and decried the loss of identity a City of San Ramon Valley would bring to individual communities. Western Electric, which had purchased the Bishop Ranch, did not want to deal with a new council and it helped fund the opposition.

There was a spirit of optimism among the supporters who felt that, this time, success would be theirs. But the vote was 5,623 in favor; 5,178 against. The council would have been Claudia Nemir, Roy Bloss, Eric Hasseltine, Dick Kennett and Brian Thiessen: three Alamo residents, one Danville resident and one San Ramon resident.

A fresh attempt tried for a Valley-wide incorporation on Nov. 2, 1976. The Taxpayers for Local Control through Incorporation organized throughout the Valley, again producing an all-volunteer campaign and calling for better police protection, local planning decisions

and better parks. One ad said "Bring Government Home—YES on K—TOWN NOW!"

Developers and other opponents put up signs announcing WAIT or Work Against Increased Taxes. Broadmoor Homes, in the process of developing Crow Canyon Country Club, did not want unknown policy-makers deciding on their development and underwrote the WAIT campaign. They also sued the county, using the new California Environmental Quality Act and contending that a full environmental report was needed for the proposed city. This suit was rejected by the courts, but it successfully sent the election to a November vote where getting out the "pro" vote was not as effective. One anti brochure said, "If you want to live in a city, move to Concord!"

The Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) again set up the potential city boundaries, this time omitting Diablo and Round Hill Country Club and various agricultural land. The potential City of San Ramon Valley lost by the vote of 10,426 to 7,846. The new council would have been Claudia Nemir, Don Sledge, Norm Roberts, Bob Bush and Gene Rolandelli.

Success for local city advocates was delayed until the 1980s when they were able to defuse the "more taxes" and "loss of identity" arguments. By that time Proposition 13 had passed, capping the property tax. And the advocates worked to get the LAFCO-set boundaries, which allowed Danville and San Ramon to have a vote within their own communities, not a Valley-wide election. Nearly 30 years after the first serious discussion of incorporation, the two new cities were created by the voters in 1982 and 1983.

Sources: *Museum of the San Ramon Valley has extensive files on each of these incorporation efforts.*

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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WEEKEND PREVIEW



Antique 'Road Show'

Blackhawk Museum Guild presents the fourth annual Antique Road Show-style event from noon-4 p.m., Sunday, May 20, at the Blackhawk Museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville. Items will be verbally appraised for a donation of \$15 per item. Proceeds will benefit the Museum's Children's Education and Transportation Fund. Call 736-2280.

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Fourth Annual Muscle Car, Hot Rods and Art Fair

Hats Off America will host the fourth annual Muscle Car, Hot Rods and Art Fair from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, May 19-20, at the grass field at Bollinger Canyon and Camino Ramon, San Ramon. Children are welcome, but no pets. Call 855-1950 or visit www.hatsoff-america.us.

LIVE! at the Livery

Danville Livery, Forbes Mill Steakhouse, Luna Loca, Patrick David's Restaurant and Ristorante Piatti will host "LIVE! at the Livery" from 5-8 p.m., Thursdays in May, at Danville Livery & Mercantile, Sycamore Valley Rd. West & San



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Art

Alamo-Danville Artists' Society

This society will present a group showing of paintings until July 17, at the Danville Town Offices, 510 La Gonda Way. The offices are open on weekdays from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Call 939-1278.

Entries Needed for Youth Art

Bedford Gallery is looking for entries for the Contra Costa Youth Art Exhibition which will run June 10-July 22, at the Bedford Gallery. Admission is open to all high school-aged youth in Contra Costa County. Entry forms can be found at www.bedfordgallery.org. Deadline is Monday, May 21.

Auditions

Valley Concert Chorale Auditions

The Chorale is looking for experienced singers who enjoy performing a wide range of music. If you have sight reading skills and enjoy singing challenging music come from 7-9 p.m., Monday, May 21, at First Presbyterian Church, 4th & L streets, Livermore. For an appointment, call 462-2405.

Clubs

Alamo Women's Club

This club will host its yearly scholarship tea honoring deserving students from Monte Vista and San Ramon high schools, as well as a returning student from DVC at noon, Wednesday, May 23, at the Clubhouse, 1401 Danville Blvd., Alamo. This event is free. Call 878-5200.

Concerts

The Great American Songbook

The Blackhawk Chorus will perform "The Great American Songbook" at 3 p.m., Sunday, May 20, at the Leshner Regional Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek. Tickets are \$20, \$12 for children 12 years and under. Call 943-7469.

Valley Concert Chorale

Valley Concert Chorale will perform music Bernstein's Chichester Psalms, Britten's Rejoice In the Lamb; Badings' Trois Chansons and pieces by William Byrd at 8 p.m., Saturday, May 19, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1225 Hopyard Rd., Pleasanton. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$17 for seniors and students 18 and under are free. Call 866-4003 or visit www.valleyconcertchorale.org.

Events

Armed Forces Day

Celebrate Armed Forces Day with the USS Hornet from 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Saturday, May 19, at the USS Hornet Museum, 707 W. Hornet Ave., Pier 3, Alameda. Witness simulated flight operations, participate in mission briefings, and meet former crew. Cost is \$20 for a family. Current military personnel and their families are free. Call (510) 521-8448 or visit www.hornetevents.com.

Danville Fine Arts Faire

Danville Area Chamber of Commerce will host the Danville Fine Arts Faire from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, June 23-24, on Hartz Avenue. 200 fine art and crafts will be displayed, Italian street painting, culinary arts corner, entertainment and kids activities. Call 837-4400.

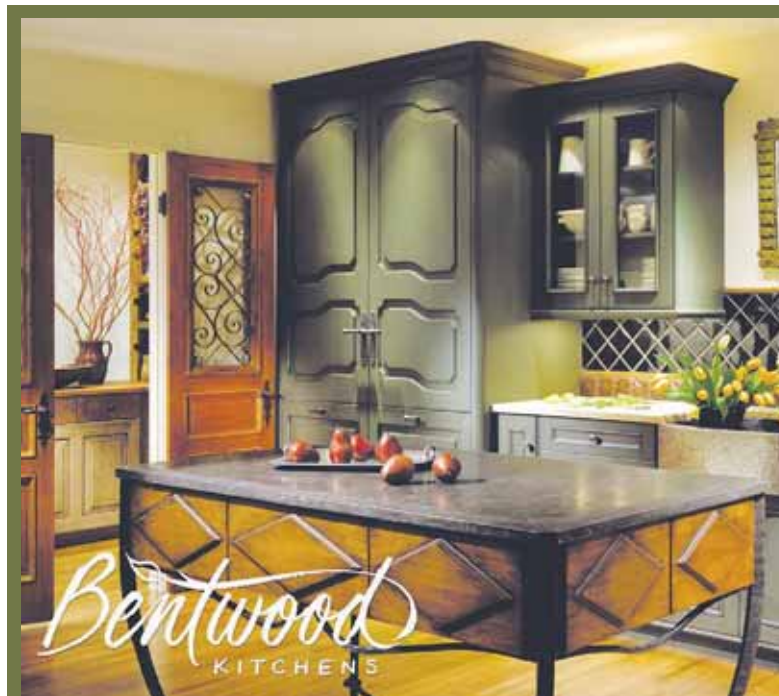
Danville International Children's Film Festival

Town of Danville and the California Independent Film Festival will host the Danville International Children's Film Festival Friday-Sunday, May 18-20, at Village Theatre, 233 Front St., Danville. Tickets are available by calling 314-3463, visiting the Danville Community Center, 420 Front St. or www.village-theatreshows.com.

Daylighting Showroom Open House

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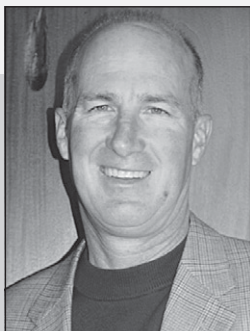
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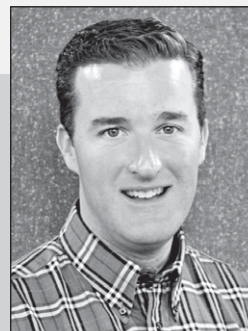
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Meal Drive at Ensembles Ensembles Meals will host a Meal Drive from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, June 2, at Ensembles, 2550 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon. To participate, sign up for a meal assembly session at Ensembles and assemble an extra meal while you are in the store, extra ingredients are included. Benefits the George Mark Children's House in San Leandro. Call 855-8355.

San Ramon Art and Wind Festival The City of San Ramon and Chevron will host the 19th annual Art and Wind Festival from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday-Monday, May 27-28, at Central Park, 12501 Alcosta Blvd., San Ramon. There will be over 200 arts and crafts booths, 3 stages of live entertainment, interactive kid zone and a Hot Air Balloon launch at 6 a.m., Monday, May 28. Call 973-3200 or visit www.artandwind.com.

Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction Danville Job's Daughters will hold a Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction from 6-8 p.m., Tuesday, May 29, at the Danville Grange Hall, 743 Diablo Rd. Tickets are \$7. Call 829-8505.

Wings of Freedom Tour The Collings Foundation bombers will perform their "Wings of Freedom" tour arriving at 3 p.m., Sunday, May 27, at the Livermore Airport, 636 Terminal Circle. The planes will be on display until 5 p.m., Tuesday, May 29. Visitors are invited to explore the aircraft for \$10, \$5 for children under 12; visitors are also invited to take a 30-minute flight for \$425 per person. Call (800) 568-8924.

Exhibits

'Slopes of Diablo Exhibit The Slopes of Diablo exhibition is focused on the local landscape of Mt. Diablo which will run May 20-June 30. Artists who wish to participate should contact Betty Wells at 284-9179. A reception will be from 3-5 p.m., Sunday, May 20, at the Valley Art Gallery, 1661 Botelho Dr., Ste. 110, Walnut Creek. Reservations are required, call 947-3535 or e-mail smdinfo@savemount-diablo.org.

Fundraisers

14th Annual Greater Danville Open Golf Tournament Danville Rotary

Club will host the 14th annual Greater Danville Open Golf Tournament starting at 10:30 a.m., Monday, June 4, at Blackhawk Country Club, 599 Blackhawk Club Dr., Danville. Cost is \$225 per player. Proceeds will benefit community based youth activities. Call 837-3716.

A Walk to Remember Hospice and Palliative Care of Contra Costa will host "A Walk to Remember" from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, May 19, at the John Muir Amphitheatre, 115 Tarantino Dr., Martinez. Cost is \$25 tax-deductible donation. Proceeds benefit the patients and families in care of Hospice.

Hats Off America Red-Shirt 10K Run/5K Walk Join Sparky George, the Bear Flag Runner, to raise money for the seventh annual Hats Off America Red T-Shirt 10K Run/5K Walk from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, June 9, starting at Sycamore Valley Park, 2101 Holbrook Dr., Danville. Cost is \$35, including lunch and a red t-shirt. Call 855-1950 or visit www.hatsoffamerica.us.

Leo Brien Memorial Golf Tournament This foundation will host its 10th annual Memorial Golf Tournament from 11:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Monday, June 4, at the Diablo Country Club, 1700 Club House Rd. The day will include golf, cocktail hour, dinner, awards and a raffle and silent auction. Cost is \$300 for golf and dinner, \$60 for dinner only. Call 648-2781 or visit www.leobrienfoundation.com.

Personal Sanctuaries Garden Tour Personal Sanctuaries will host the second annual Garden Tour from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Friday-Saturday, May 18-19, in the Danville and Alamo areas. Tickets are \$30 at the door. Proceeds will benefit UCSF Breast Cancer Research. The event will include a silent auction and tea party, and there will be a book signing with Susan Vreeland at 2 p.m., Saturday, May 19. Visit www.personalsanctuaries.blogspot.com.

Thrift Shop Promotions Assistance League of Diablo Valley's primary fundraiser will feature Vintage Hats, Purses and Clothing (May 18-19), Bathing Suits and Bridal Wear (May 22-29), at The Way Side Inn Thrift Shop & Costume Rental, 3521 Golden Gate Way, Lafayette. The shop hours are from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Call 838-0075.

Tour of Lafayette's Kitchens Lafayette Juniors presents the eighth Annual Tour of Lafayette's Kitchens from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, May 19. This year's tour showcases six exquisite kitchens and homes. Tickets are \$35, with an optional gourmet luncheon for \$12 extra. Proceeds will benefit Community Violence Solutions. Call 385-0381 or visit www.lafayette-juniors.org.

Health

Care and Treatment of Your Hands Seminar San Ramon Regional Medical Center will host a seminar on the care and treatment of your hands from 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 22, at

San Ramon Regional Medical Center, South Conference Room, 7777 Norris Canyon Rd. This event is free. Call 275-8230 or visit www.sanramonmedctr.com.

Kids and Teens

Children's Arts Festival Children are invited to participate in interactive arts activities such as painting, origami and jewelry making from noon-4 p.m., Tuesday, June 3, at Centennial Park, 5353 Sunol Blvd., Pleasanton. Musical entertainment will be provided by young performers from this year's Youth Music Festival. This event is free. Call 931-5340.

Lectures/ Workshops

A Glimpse Into Africa Join the American Red Cross's free discussion on its visit to Kenya to witness programs on measles, malaria, HIV/AIDS, water sanitation, and Somali refugee camps from 5-7 p.m., Thursday, May 24, at the American Red Cross office, 85 2nd St., San Francisco. Call (415) 427-8060 or visit www.redcross-bayarea.org.

Creating a Closed-Loop Project Portfolio EBIG will host a workshop on "Creating a Closed-Loop Project Portfolio" from 6:30-9 p.m., Thursday, May 24, at Sybase, One Sybase Center Building A, Dublin. This event is free. Visit www.ebig.org.

Operations Start-Up, Monitoring, and Human Resources Come and discuss process and the essential legal, accounting, taxation and record keeping process from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 23, at Carr America Conference Center, 4400 Rosewood Dr., Pleasanton. This event is free. Call 960-1600 or visit www.techventures.org.

Live Music

DGC Annual Pops Concert Danville Girls Chorus will host its annual Pops Concert "Whatever You Imagine" featuring music from animated movies from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, June 2, at Canyon Creek Church, 9015 S. Gale Ridge Rd., San Ramon. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 14 years old. Call 837-2624 or visit www.danvillegirlschorus.org.

St. Timothy's Concert Series St. Timothy's Concert Series presents Mozart's Coronation Mass in 'C' and spirituals from 5-6 p.m., Sunday, May 20, at St. Timothy's Church, 1550 Diablo Rd., Danville. Tickets are \$18 for general admission or \$12 for

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Host Families Needed Edu-Culture International (ECI) is looking for host families for students from France and Spain this summer from June 29-July 29 and July 7-July 31. Host families provide room, board and a loving environment. Students are fully insured and bring their own spending money. For information, e-mail Dawn at garlieb@sbcglobal.net.

On Stage

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'The Mirror' Diablo Ballet presents "The Mirror" with acclaimed principal dancer Tina Kay Bohnstedt at 8 p.m., Friday-Saturday, May 18-19 and at 2 p.m., Saturday, May 19, at the Leshner Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek. Call 943-7469 or visit www.dlrca.org.

'Wigged Out!' Victoria's Hair on Stage has opened its doors for "Wigged Out!" which runs until June, at Victoria's Hair on Stage, 520 San Ramon Valley Blvd., Danville. Tickets are \$38. Call 855-SHOW (855-7469).

Eugene O'Neill Playwrights' Theater Performances

Eugene O'Neill Playwrights' Theater at Tao House presents "Now I Ask You" at 3 p.m., Sunday, May 20, at the Old Barn at Tao House. Call 820-1818.

The Great American Songbook

The Blackhawk Chorus, presents its spring concert at 3 p.m., Sunday, May 20, at Leshner Center of the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek. Cost is \$20 for adults, \$12.50 for children 12 and under. Call 943-7469 or visit www.blackhawkchorus.com or www.dlrca.org.

Political Notes

Blackhawk Republican Women Cocktail Party

Blackhawk Republican Women will host a cocktail party from 5:30-8 p.m., Thursday, June 7, at Blackhawk Country Club, Danville. Michelle Bernard, President of Independent Women's Forum of Washington, D.C., will give an update on Democracy in the Arab Middle East. Reservations are required by noon, Monday, June 4. Cost is \$20. Call Ms. Lyons at 820-6452.

Conservatives Without Conscience Book Discussion

John Dean's "Conservatives Without Conscience" will be discussed from 7-9 p.m., Tuesday, May 22, at the Livermore Library, 1188 South Livermore Ave. This event is open to the public, cost is a donation of a couple of dollars. Call 451-4303 or visit www.trivalley-dems.com.

Health Care in California

San Ramon Valley Republican Women will host John R. Graham, Director of Health Care Studies of Pacific Research Institute at their luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesday, May 22, at Crow Canyon Country Club, 711 Silver Lake Dr., Danville. Cost is \$23. Call 837-6253 or visit www.srvrwf.org.

Road to Guantanamo Screening

The Road to Guantanamo is the first-hand account of three British citizens who were held for two years without charges in the American military prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and a screening will be from 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, May 23, at Mt. Diablo Peace & Justice Center, 55 Eckley Lane, Walnut Creek. This event is free. Call 933-7850.

The War At Home

The public is invited by the Tri-Valley Democratic Club to hear Dr. Jack Rasmus discuss his book "The War At Home" from 7-10 p.m., Monday, May 21, at IBEW Hall, 6250 Village Pkwy., Dublin. This event is free. Call 831-8355.

Recreation

Galvin Ranch John Gallagher will host a visit to Save Mt. Diablo's 62 acre Joseph Galvin Ranch on Morgan Territory Rd. at 9 a.m., Saturday, May 19, meeting at the Clayton Library. Round trip is about 2 miles. Call 200-9102 or e-mail twowheeler@pacbell.net.

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Buzz Sessions

Town of Danville presents Buzz Sessions for seniors from 1-2:30 p.m., each fourth Tuesday of the month, at Danville Library, Mt. Diablo Room, 400 Front St. These events are free, but register to reserve your place by calling 314-3400.

Danville Senior Citizens Club

The club meets from 9:45 a.m.-2 p.m., every Monday at the Danville Veterans' Memorial Hall, 400 Hartz Ave., for line dancing exercise, bingo, mah jong and more. Membership is just \$12 a year. Call Fran Britt at 743-4026.

HICAP Appointments

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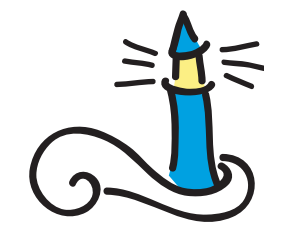
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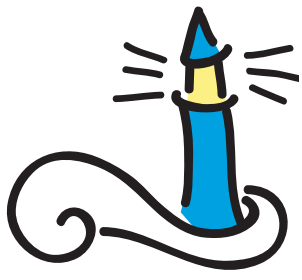
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This week's data represents homes sold during April 2007

Alamo	Danville	Walnut Creek
Total sales reported: 4	Total sales reported: 32	Total sales reported: 14
Lowest sale reported: \$1,360,000	Lowest sale reported: \$425,000	Lowest sale reported: \$395,000
Highest sale reported: \$1,654,000	Highest sale reported: \$1,806,000	Highest sale reported: \$1,125,000
Average sales reported: \$1,519,875	Average sales reported: \$988,125	Average sales reported: \$738,429

HOME SALES

Source: California REsource

Alamo	Danville	Walnut Creek
35 Bryan Court J. & N. Vansiclen to J. & A. Haburjak for \$1,654,000	151 Golden Hills Court G. & M. Allen to C. & C. McClure for \$1,426,000	5005 Starling Street D. & K. Larson to R. Comaduran for \$579,000
162 Golden Ridge Road D. & K. Smith to S. Reid for \$1,360,000	12 Haskins Ranch Circle Webster Trust to K. Page-Eccles for \$827,000	472 Sycamore Circle Rockin S Equipment to P. Clarke for \$485,000
255 St. Paul Drive Nagel Trust to B. Goldstein for \$1,645,500	119 Joaquin Drive I. Wood to A. Muertteries for \$540,000	132 Vista Del Diablo J. Dotson to D. Chiu for \$780,000
2701 Winners Circle S. Rainey to R. Bonner for \$1,420,000	4231 Knollview Drive D. & M. Hoppens to E. Sevillano for \$1,079,000	Walnut Creek
Danville	2451 Marsanne Street Lennar Homes to E. Caufield for \$1,331,000	401 Center Street J. Christie to W. & J. Pierce for \$745,000
865 Ackerman Drive Z. & C. Marcisz to T. & M. Mathis for \$1,694,000	29 Meadow View Court S. & M. Saunders to Fleiss Trust for \$1,300,000	1383 Chesterton Way Castagno Trust to C. & E. Georgiou for \$1,125,000
10 Birchwood Place P. Alexander to S. & J. Davoren for \$1,430,000	1252 Monterosso Street Lennar Homes to S. & L. Park for \$1,101,500	2170 Hillview Drive M. & J. Daly to L. Brown for \$830,000
3195 Blackhawk Meadow Drive D. Tryon to C. Chen for \$1,050,000	1258 Monterosso Street Lennar Homes to A. Chung for \$1,078,000	932 Leroy Lane M. & K. Dadasovich to E. & J. Stabb for \$820,000
141 Camino Amigo Court R. Smith to G. & A. Warwick for \$1,025,000	2186 Myrtle Beach Lane W. & A. Kendall to L. Gayler for \$695,000	15 Norman Court S. & T. Wilkalis to R. Mazeffa for \$975,000
1131 Camino Tassajara R. & M. Aguirre to P. Easley for \$719,000	218 Promenade Lane K. & D. Seaman to S. & V. Shih for \$760,000	2582 Oak Road #221 P. McGavock to Q. Luo for \$476,000
14 Canyon Oak Court Wright Trust to D. & A. Cook for \$1,475,000	1855 Ridgeland Circle C. Aiuto to N. Louarsabishvili for \$680,000	1912 Ptarmigan Drive #2 Schneider Trust to R. & S. Nicholes for \$500,000
36 Danville Oak Place Martin Trust to G. & T. Amaral for \$629,000	1813 Rioja Street KB Homes to A. Yusuf for \$1,000,000	3478 Rossmoor Parkway #2 Alef Trust to Moreira Trust for \$769,000
3354 Deer Hollow Drive Larson Trust to S. & M. Chetal for \$1,806,000	251 Royal Palm Place J. & J. Gandolfi to K. & A. Slinger for \$1,030,000	1529 Siskiyou Drive A. William to J. & A. Rantala for \$629,000
1011 El Cajon Drive G. Dillingham to M. & A. Gurney for \$1,100,000	20 Sarah Court Castle Principles to M. & K. Cory for \$1,100,000	290 Tamarisk Drive Mattingly Trust to K. & H. Dipentima for \$915,000
200 El Dorado Avenue #4 B. Hawthorne to J. Steffensen for \$425,000	2115 Shady Creek Place J. Petty to C. & H. Bruce for \$695,000	622 Terra California Drive #7 L. Winston to Bellows Trust for \$615,000
135 Freesia Court D. & B. Stromgren to T. & M. Horton for \$900,000	391 Squirrel Ridge Way Sirva Relocation to T. & M. Grant for \$1,100,000	4111 Terra Granada Drive #1A Coddington Trust to Dimaria Trust for \$395,000
212 Gamay Court KB Homes to T. & K. Brennan for	35 St. Tropez Court Deisenroth Trust to M. Jones	1929 Via Appia Doyle Trust to Worthington Trust for \$619,000
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4 Bedrooms

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Keith Robinson, Vice President of Sales



NorthPoint Real Estate Investment Services is pleased to announce Keith Robinson as the firm’s new Vice President of Sales. He will help lead, manage and develop NorthPoint’s sales organization. Keith comes to NorthPoint from Keller Williams, where he served as a sales manager opening and running three area offices. In addition, Keith hired, coached, and developed nearly 300 real estate professionals.

While with Keller Williams, Keith led more than 200 real estate agents to close an average of \$21 million per month; his office was ranked #1 out of 33 for profitability for Northern California and Hawaii Region; and for three consecutive years, Keith won the Keller Williams Realty “Growth Partner Award,” which recognizes excellence and success in recruitment.

Keith has trained hundreds of real estate professionals throughout Northern California in more than 25 different real estate related courses. In addition, he has helped train and prepare 1,800 students to pass the real estate certification exam.

Keith began his career in real estate working for Red Oak Realty. Within his first year there he was named “Rookie of the Year.” Within three years he grew his real estate business volume to more than \$20 million and successfully launched a profitable office in Oakland.

Keith is an experienced real estate investor who owns multiple real estate investments.



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ALAMO

Premier Vintage Acres \$6,750,000
Stunning traditional w/5 bedrooms, 5-full/3-half
baths, 6-car garage. Quality, detailed marble &
millwork surpassed by none. Pure elegance.
Pamela Schmidt & Sharon Dare 925.855.4018



DANVILLE

Brand New Construction \$2,675,000
2.72+/-acre view lot w/fantastic views of Las
Trampas and surrounding hills. Beautiful 5bd,
4ba, with chef's kitchen opening to family room
Mark Traikoff 925.855.4115



DANVILLE

Westside Creek Setting \$1,749,000
Phenomenal kitchen/family room with large
granite island. Single story, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths,
3671+/-sf, separate shop with cottage potential.
Paula Knapp 925.413.1068



DANVILLE

Spectacular Views from Every Room! \$1,600,000
Built in 2000 and nestled on a prestigious cul-de-sac
surrounded by nature and views. 5bd, 4ba plus large
bonus/game room. Huge gourmet kitchen.
Julie Long 925.683.9799



ALAMO

Westside Alamo Retreat! \$1,399,000
Don't miss this 3bd, 3.5ba custom with very pri-
vate, separate studio/au-pair and great RV park-
ing & elevator. Park-like setting.
Julie Whitmer 925.997.5120



ALAMO

Alamo Gen on One-Half Acre Lot \$1,395,000
Fabulous location, fabulous lot, conveniently
located to schools and park. Updated 4 bed-
rooms, 3 baths with 2500+/-sf.
Ralph Sessa 925.858.5233



DANVILLE

Remodeled Masterpiece \$1,375,000
Gorgeous 4 bedrooms, 3 baths offer 2900+/-sf of
luxurious living! Excellent location in prestigious
community, backs to open space. Must see!
Chris & Lisa Hopkins 925.855.4014



DANVILLE

Vista Tassajara \$1,249,000
Largest floor plan in Vista Tassajara with 5 bed-
rooms, 3 baths and 3491+/-sf. 5th bedroom can be
used as a bonus room. Large, premium lot.
Karlyn Hunt 925.876.7089



DANVILLE

Beautiful Family Home w/Pool \$1,050,000
5bd, 3ba on level one-third+/-acre lot with newer
carpet, paint, doors. 1bd/1ba down. Side yard
access for boat/RV. An excellent value.
Pam Gaya 925.855.4049

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