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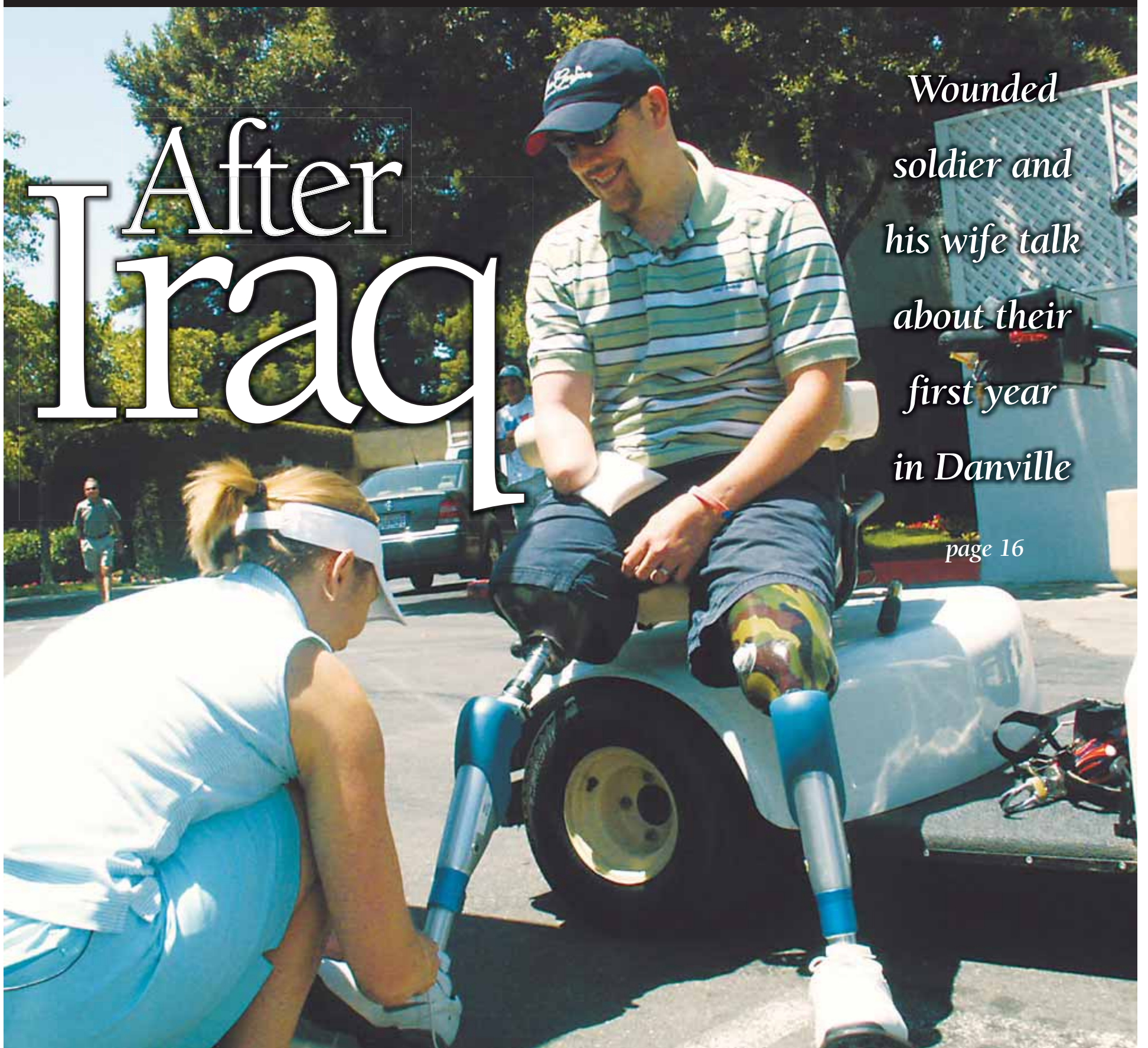
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Q: A recent study from Norway showed older siblings are smartest. Who is the smartest of your siblings?



It's funny because I am the youngest of six, so I should be brain dead. But I think my siblings feel I'm pretty doggone smart. We're all smart in different ways. There's book smarts and street smarts and emotional smarts. Some people are perfectly smart, but they don't test well.

Vicki Wright
emergency room nurse



It's hard to say. We all have different interests. My sister is a teacher; my brother is a product manager. I am the youngest and I am starting my Ph.D. in physics next year. I'm better at math because that's what I'm interested in.

Ben Sprenger
student



My youngest has a very high I.Q. I was so young when I had my first, 19 years old. I was 32 when I had my youngest and I had more time to spend with him. Maybe there is a correlation.

Ruth Sprenger
fitness trainer



It's probably true that the eldest is the smartest. The parents have more time to spend with the older child. I was an only child, so I got a lot of attention.

Jill Dodsworth
grandmother



First you have to define "smart." They all have different smarts, talents and abilities. Intellect comes with wanting to know and learn.

Evelyn Teevan
retired nurse

compiled by Natalie O'Neill

ABOUT THE COVER

Iraqi War veteran Joey Bozik and his wife Jayme, shown about to enjoy a round of golf at Crow Canyon Country Club, share their experiences about adjusting to life in Danville. Photo by Jordan M. Doronila.

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“ No one in their right mind would do that. ”

—Alamo R-7A Parks and Recreation Committee member Marianne Sasso about finding a part time, non-benefited independent contractor who will take on liability for the recreation program.
See story, page 9.

The fight against cancer

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life of San Ramon Valley will take place overnight tomorrow, June 30-July 1, at California High School in San Ramon. People can come together at this 24-hour community event to remember loved ones, inspire others and celebrate life. The fundraiser allows everyone to make a difference in the fight against cancer.

Survivors from the community are encouraged to show up at 10 a.m. Saturday morning to join fellow survivors in the opening lap.

Choir hitting the high notes in Spain

The concert choir from San Ramon Valley High School is now enjoying a singing tour of Spain under the direction of Ken Abrams with the assistance of accompanist Laurie Hugill and 13 parental chaperones. The award winning choir of 77 students will perform in Toledo, Granada, Torremolinos, Seville and Madrid, among other places.

The San Ramon High choirs have been under the direction of Abrams for the past 23 years. After a first-place win in both divisions at the Golden State Competition in May, Abrams was excited to take his hard-working choir on this exciting tour of Spain.

Trains again at Danville Depot

The Southern Pacific Line may have ended service in 1978, but trains are back at the Danville Depot this summer. Now through Aug. 8, "Model Trains, a Railroad Exhibit," and toy trains for children to play with are on display. HO Scale trains are being exhibited through July 1; S Scale Trains are on display from July 23-28.

The Museum of the San Ramon Valley, housed in the historic Danville Depot, is located at 205 Railroad Ave., Danville. Regular summer hours are 10-1 Tuesdays-Saturdays. The museum will be open 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, June 30; and closed on the 4th of July. Admission is free but donations are welcome. Call 837-3750 or visit www.museumsvr.org for additional information.

Also museum docents are offering walking tours of the historic downtown on the second Saturday of each month, May through October. Meet at the museum at 10 a.m. And Councilwoman Karen Stepper offers a Friday evening Old Town tour on the third Friday of each month through October, meeting at 6:15 p.m. at the Village Theatre on Front Street. No reservations are required for either tour.

Coffee with the mayor

Danville Mayor Mike Shimansky will host his informal coffee next week, Friday, July 6. The coffee, which is held the first Friday of each month, begins at 7:30 a.m. and is held at Father Nature's on Prospect Avenue. Attendees enjoy a light repast while talking to the mayor and town staff members about their concerns in Danville. Shimansky also reports on what happened in town government during the previous month.

Correction The June 22 story about a new dessert line by Patrick David Schoolcraft incorrectly stated that Jeff Mahin helped in its creation. The new food product was made solely by Schoolcraft.

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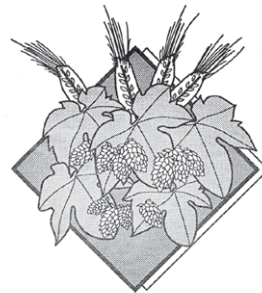
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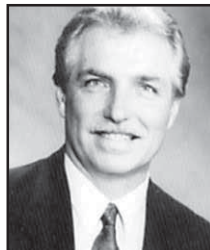
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Danville opens its arms to July 4th celebrants

Parade expected to draw a crowd of 40,000

by Dolores Fox Ciardelli

The Town of Danville invites everyone to come enjoy the Kiwanis Independence Day Parade, which begins at 10 a.m., Wednesday, July 4. But officials also remind folks that no chairs can be put out on the Hartz Avenue parade route before 6 p.m., Tuesday, July 3.

Chairs placed on the route early July 3 became a problem a few years ago, as people tried to reserve their viewing spots earlier and earlier. But most people now abide by the request that people wait until 6 p.m. to place their chairs, said Rochelle Flotten of the Town of Danville.

Last year about a dozen were confiscated by the maintenance department, she said, and brought to the service center on Camino Tassajara where they could be claimed on the next business day.

The theme of the 2007 Danville Fourth of July Parade, presented by Heller Jewelers, is "A Salute to Our Veterans, Thank You for Your Service to Our Country." Grand marshals will be from each of the U.S. Armed Forces: Army, Navy/Marines, Air Force and U.S. Coast Guard.

The annual Fourth of July Parade Commemorative Button was designed this year by Joseph Sullivan of www.

JSDesigns100.com to showcase the parade theme. Buttons are sold prior to the parade for \$2 each or at the parade for \$3 each, to benefit Kiwanis programs and local charities. A limited number of buttons from previous years are also available for sale.

The parade will run south from the corner of Hartz and Railroad avenues and will end at the corner of Sycamore Valley Road. This year Kiwanis expects about 125 entries in 24 categories. Each category will receive a Best of Parade trophy, to be awarded at the Kiwanis luncheon meeting on Thursday, July 12.

Categories are marching unit, band, horse, float, majorette, parade theme, antique auto, bicycle, novelty-comic, animal non-horse, special interest auto, Scout troop, school, dance/theatrical, family, country club, real estate office, neighborhood/homeowner association, church group, retail business, bank-financial, service business, sports team, community service/special interest-nonprofit community organizations, civic or public safety organizations.

Flotten also recommended that people arrive early. She noted the town has three public parking lots—one on Front Street, and two on Railroad Avenue—and the Park and Ride on Sycamore Valley Road is not too far from the end of the parade route. ■



DOLORES FOX CIARDELLI

Butterflies are cool

Erin Sena, 3, of Danville has her arm painted with a delightful butterfly at the face-painting booth at the Fine Arts Faire in downtown Danville last weekend. Thousands turned out in the perfect weather to enjoy more than 200 fine art and contemporary craft displays, Italian street painting and more. See videos of the event at www.DanvilleWeekly.com.

Trustees say no to continuing school busing in the district

Vote is 3-2 following discussions on finances and safety

by Jordan M. Doronila

Trustees gave the OK at their meeting Tuesday evening to stop busing for regular students because the program was losing money.

Trustees Paul Gardner, Joan Buchanan and Rachel Hurd voted for discontinuing the program in the San Ramon Valley Unified School District. Trustees Bill Clarkson and Greg Marvel voted against the decision.

More than 50 parents packed the district office in Danville, and they expressed dismay and shook their heads over the board's decision. They gave reasons to keep the program.

"It will reduce traffic, congestion and pollution," said Julie Peck, a parent in the district, adding, "It's a safety issue."

"We have to do what's best for the district," said Gardner. "We said three years ago we would keep it if it would break even after one year. It's now three years, and it still doesn't break even."

The district has three bus transportation programs: special education, field trip, and home to school, which carries students to

and from school each day. Special education receives revenue annually of \$639,943; field trip, \$175,612; and home to school, \$191,901, said Mike Bush, district chief business officer.

But both special education and home-to-school programs operate at a loss to the district, and home-to-school busing runs into the red at approximately \$287,000 each year, Bush said.

Increasing fees is not enough to keep the program self-sufficient, district staff said. Board members said only a small percentage of students in the district are in the program and suggested meeting and working person-

ally with the parents to answer their needs.

"We did our best with our staff on what was fair and accurate," said Hurd.

"I do believe school busing is safer," said Buchanan. "It's good for the environment. But as a trustee I'm charged to (make decisions) on what's best for the district."

Buchanan noted that the funds saved from the busing program will help other programs, which will impact a greater number of students, such as the San Ramon Valley Reading Project and the Math and Science Initiative.

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"Eat your heart out, Paris Hilton!"

Pets on Parade

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Offering locks of love

Green Valley Elementary students (l-r) Leah Emerson, Alexis Baillie and Kelly Strand each donated 10 inches of their hair to the Locks of Love program, going to Christine's in Danville to have their hair cut June 13. The girls are all 10 years old, and completed their last day of the fourth grade the following day. Through the Locks of Love program, the hair will be donated to make wigs for children who suffer from alopecia areata, which is an autoimmune skin disease resulting in the loss of hair, or who have experienced hair loss from radiation therapy and chemotherapy, severe burns or trauma, and various other genetic and dermatological conditions.

Asian culture club looking for permanent location

Founder hopes to share facility with Danville seniors

by Jordan M. Doronila

Asian seniors and residents need more cultural services in Danville, said a health clinician.

Social worker Chia-Chia Chien told the Danville Town Council at its meeting in early June that Asian seniors need a permanent home in the community. Approximately 9 percent of Danville residents are Asians, she said.

"The town needs to have services geared to more diversity," said Chien, noting there are not enough services tailored to the town's Asian population.

"That's the first of (hearing from) the Asian community," said Councilwoman Candace Andersen.

As town staff members are considering facilities that seniors can use consistently, they may contemplate having Chinese seniors use the same space.

"We are open to all kinds of great ideas," Andersen said.

Currently, Chien's Culture to Culture Foundation, which is composed of Chinese seniors, cultural groups and programs, meets at the Alamo Women's Club. But it only rents the space for the duration of the meeting, Chien said.

"We have to pack and take things away," she said. "It's really difficult."

Chien noted there are linguistic and cultural barriers that prevent many of the members from feeling at home here. She said she would like Chinese seniors to share permanent space in a facility with other Danville seniors.

Council members said the town is looking into the Veterans Memorial Building on Hartz Avenue as a possible permanent venue for seniors. It already houses many functions, such as senior bingo.

Culture to Culture Foundation started in 2001, and it has a Chinese program, the Chinese American Mental Health Network and other services, such as linguistic educational services. There are 500 seniors from Danville, San Ramon,

Lafayette, Pleasanton, Antioch and Concord that go to the foundation at the Alamo Women's Club, said Chien.

The foundation also offers scholarships to students who attend graduate school, and seminars in martial arts, calligraphy and dance.

The Chinese American Mental Health Network began because statistics showed Asian-American women had the highest suicide rate among women over age 65, as well as the second highest rate among women ages 15 to 24.

Nearly one out of two Asian-Americans will have difficulty accessing mental health treatment because they cannot find services that meet their linguistic needs, Chien said.

She noted that her foundation's functions are open to anyone. And the town hopes its senior programs reach as many people as possible.

"We want our senior programs to meet the needs of as many people in the population as we can," Andersen. "I see this as growing." ■

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Royal vacation

Janet and Matt Dowling of Blackhawk vacation with their hometown reading at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel on Waikiki Beach in October. They reported that the hotel staff loved the Danville Weekly so much they left it for them to enjoy.



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Alamo coffee kiosk back in business

Drive-through shop is now a family affair



Cafe Xpresso, now Casa Espresso in the Longs Drugs shopping center in Alamo, is under new ownership.



Denise Bell prepares a latte while Ryan Bell mixes ingredients to a smoothie after a morning rush.

by **Natalie O'Neill**

Denise and Larry Bell run a coffee house in Alamo—and they also live in one. Now that their new family business is off the ground, their Alamo home is buzzing with coffee talk.

“We went around for a couple weeks to do tastings to upgrade the coffee. I was so jacked up on caffeine,” Denise said with a smile.

The Bells and their two sons Ryan and Tyler have taken on ownership and management of the drive-through coffee shop in the Longs Drugs shopping center in Alamo. And the business venture is turning out to be a real team effort.

“I’m the managing owner and my husband funded it, our son Ryan is a barista, and even our 17-year-old pitches in,” Denise explained.

Ryan, 21, a San Ramon Valley High School graduate, had previous experience as a barista, and Denise loved the idea of a convenient coffee drive-through. So when the venue closed down in April, the Bells had their eyes on it, they recalled.

“My dad jumped on it,” Ryan said.

Casa Espresso, the renamed coffee shop which was once Cafe Xpresso, will now provide higher quality hot and iced coffee and espresso and fruit smoothies for families and professionals on the go. While coffee quality has improved, the drinks are still less expensive than nearby shops, Denise added.

Denise, who was a “soccer mom” when her boys were younger, said she was always looking for an easy pit stop when she was carpooling her children around.

“It’s quick on the way to work or if you are taking your kids to sports,” she added.

“This way, parents don’t have to take their kids out of the car,” Ryan added.

Eventually they decided on McLaughlin Coffee, organic fair trade coffee based out of Emeryville, and espresso imported from Costa Rica.

The deciding factor was that the family found McLaughlin’s taste to be bold but not bitter.

“Everybody says they love this

coffee. One woman tells us our mocha chillers are to die for. We’ve had nothing but positive feedback,” Denise said.

The fruit smoothies, which are all natural and made from fresh bananas and strawberries, are already a big favorite. In addition, they say they would love to hear suggestions from customers on what else they should sell.

“We’re looking for ideas—any-

thing that’s easy and fast that people really like,” Denise said.

Casa Espresso also gives away dog bones, which have helped the Bells get acquainted with their new patrons—and their pets. The family is pleased that they already have a regular customer base.

“We already know our regulars’ orders. You meet a lot of people, find a lot of personalities. It’s a lot of fun,” Denise said. ■



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Fifth-graders Sydney Melin and Shannon Steffen inspect the new mural at Sycamore Valley Elementary School that portrays characters in literature.

Literature comes to life

Dozens of teachers, parents, students and administrators watched the unveiling of a tile wall "literature" mural at Sycamore Valley Elementary on June 12, just before school let out for the summer.

Fifth-graders created the mural from tiles that are images of their favorite books.

"After discussing the project with the principal and fifth-grade teachers, we wanted the project to

complement and extend the classroom curriculum," said Bridgette Pryor, project coordinator. "So we decided on the theme of favorite literature."

During the mural's creation, a session about drawing and coloring helped students convey their favorite books onto paper. Shortly after, the children learned how to create the images with clay and place them on the tile. All

the finished and glazed tiles were arranged and mounted on a board, which then were placed on the school's wall.

Pryor said parent volunteers, an art instructor and other people helped students finish the mural.

The project is part of "Arts Attack," a statewide program to provide students with a holistic perspective toward art.

—Jordan M. Dornila

Alamo faces glitch in new recreation hire

Rec programmer must now carry own insurance

by Natalie O'Neill

A new county policy is making the search for an Alamo recreation programmer harder than expected.

County policy now states independent contractors are no longer under the county's liability umbrella and must take on the financial responsibility themselves, county public works officials explained at last week's Alamo R-7A Parks and Recreation Committee meeting.

This makes part-time, non-benefited independent contractors—like Alamo's previous recreation programmer—extremely difficult to find, the committee members agreed.

"No one in their right mind would do that," said committee member Marianne Sasso.

Warren Lai, county associate civil engineer, has been conducting interviews for the position and suggested the committee consider hiring a full-time benefited employee as a programmer.

"Most people (applying for the position) want to be full time and benefited," he said.

Lai used a specific example of one potential candidate he had interviewed, who was a great fit for the job. When it came down to it, however, she did not take the job because she was concerned about the county contract.

"She felt the contract put her

too much at risk—that there was too much liability on her part," he explained, adding that the part-time work wasn't enough to make her sign on.

The change in county policy has put the search for recreation programmers back to square one, he said.

Committee members then began to discuss solutions.

"If this person is qualified, we should consider how to go out to bid and make her part of the process," Sasso said.

A full-time benefited position would run the committee anywhere from \$200,000-\$225,000 per year, Lai said. For non-benefited part-time work, the previous recreation programmer, Valerie Matlock, earned from about \$25,000-\$30,000 annually.

Looking at the numbers, some committee members said they felt they were too high.

"Either Valerie (Matlock) was significantly underpaid or the county is significantly overpaid," said committee member Maire-Jeanne Parsons.

A more feasible solution, the committee suggested, would be to hire company contract work. This way the contract company would have its own insurance policy and the individual contractor would be protected.

They then gave the county the

go-ahead to investigate these contract firms, which are generally more expensive, but more likely to agree to county contract terms.

Other committee members suggested teaming up with Danville for funds.

"Maybe we should look at approaching the town of Danville to see if they will piggyback it," said Nancy Domes, who serves on the committee.

This also raised the issue of whether the position should be expanded, an ongoing point of discussion for the committee.

"If you want to take (the recreation program) to another level, will you need a full-time employee? Of course," Lai said.

But some committee members weren't sure the program is ready to expand in that way at this point. There is Web site and administrative work to be done—which is more than a one man, part-time job—but a full-time position may be too large of a leap, members said.

"My vision is to have someone like Valerie with someone else for support," Committee Chairman Steve Mick said.

The topic will be discussed further at next month's R-7A meeting at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 18, at Hap Magee Ranch Park; the county is currently looking into contract companies that can cover their own risk management. ■

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- Never leave children unattended around a pool or water – not even for one minute. Accidents occur fast.
- Flotation devices are not drown-proof.
- Children should always wear a life vest while boating and near open water.
- Always lock your pool gate. Double-check the gate after people have been in the pool area.
- Review your pool rules and safety with family, friends and babysitters.
- Learn CPR. You could save a life.

Sun Safety

- Always use sunscreen and wear protective clothing.
- Make sure youngsters drink enough water.
- Watch for signs of heat exhaustion and heat stroke: dizziness, nausea, rapid pulse.

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Prevent Burns

- Watch toddlers closely near barbecues, campfires or outdoor fireplaces. Burns are common injuries.
- Install screens or some type of barrier where appropriate.
- Metal playground equipment can be hot and cause burns.

Prevent Falls

- Move beds and chairs away from windows. Children may jump and play, and could fall through open windows.
- Make sure low windows are closed to prevent young children from falling out.
- Install gates at the top of stairs or decks to prevent falls.

Road Safety

- Always wear helmets and protective gear while biking, skating or skateboarding.
- Discuss bicycle and road safety with your children.
- Review pedestrian safety with children as well as adolescents.
- Never leave a child alone in a car. Temperatures quickly reach over 100 degrees.
- Drive cautiously. Children move quickly and may be difficult to see, especially when backing up. You may not see toddlers and older children playing behind a car.
- Always put your children in car seats or seat belts.



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Cops arrest bank robber

Police arrested a woman in her 40s on suspicion of robbing three banks in Danville and Martinez, on June 19. She held up the U.S. Bank in Danville on Monday afternoon, June 18, said Danville police Sgt. Troy Craig.

The female suspect, who was described as being toothless, wore a yellow hard hat and robbed the U.S. Bank at 720 San Ramon Valley Blvd. around 4:30 p.m., the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported.

The FBI believed the same woman robbed the West America Bank at 601 Ferry St. in Martinez the previous Friday at 4:25 p.m. She told a teller she had a gun and there were two men with guns waiting outside the bank, according to FBI reports. At this robbery, the suspect wore a yellow construction vest and a white hardhat.

But she was still described by witnesses as being toothless.

"We believe it's the same person that did the robbery in Martinez," said Danville Police Chief Chris Wenzel.

—Jordan M. Doronila

Busing

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Clarkson and Marvel said accepting the loss in exchange for keeping students safe is the central reason to keep the bus program. Having busing also helps decrease pollution and alleviate traffic in the San Ramon Valley, parents said.

"The issue is, do you put children at risk for \$75,000 to \$150,000?" Marvel asked. "My answer is no. The safety of children is paramount to me."

Marvel and Clarkson said it may be possible that the district could receive money from Measure J, which is funded by a house sales tax to alleviate traffic. Marvel and Clarkson both sit on the Measure J Committee.

However, Buchanan and Gardner said, based on talks with city council members and staff in Danville and San Ramon, that it is unclear whether the district will receive money from Measure J.

"They told us if we had to eliminate it, we would not affect Measure J funding," said Buchanan, noting that she spoke to Danville Town Manager Joe Calabrigo, Councilwoman Karen Stepper and Mayor Mike Shimansky.

"Don't use Measure J (as a reason) to keep this program," Gardner told Marvel. "It's not a valid issue right now."

Superintendent Rob Kessler said the district has worked with County Connection on bus routes that pass by some schools. Additionally, the district encourages carpools, which is supported by the Town of Danville and the city of San Ramon. Parents and students can sign up for carpools at registration.

Additionally, Kessler said Bush and staff have developed an online system where parents can sign up for carpooling. ■

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Diablo Views

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Lawnmowers on parade



The Sycamore Lawnmower Brigade is gearing up once again to perform its complex formations while pushing a variety of mowers in Wednesday's Fourth of July parade. This year, in keeping with the parade's theme, A Salute to Our Veterans, the mowers will feature "America's most famous veteran" pushing a special mower. And who might that be? If I told you, I'd have to kill you, so you'd better go to the parade and see for yourself.

The zany brigade has been appearing in the Danville parade for more than 30 years and has won first place in the novelty comic division every year, said Lowell Crow, who is currently heading up the

mowers. He moved to Sycamore in 1975 and soon joined the crew.

"This year, we're also doing a tongue-in-cheek spoof on gasoline prices," said Crow, "with hybrid mowers, solar-powered mowers, ethanol and methanol-powered mowers." They are dropping the task-mistress "Honey-do," who literally cracked the whip over them in parades for the last five years.

The Sycamore guys—about 20 of them—gather in the Trader Joe's parking lot before the parade to join the long queue waiting to form up and move out. This constitutes their annual meeting, where they decorate their mowers, don their goofy red, white and blue hats, and put together their routines and practice them.

"It takes awhile to rehearse but we do the same little drills every year," Crow explained. "We keep a collection of junked out lawnmowers so we have an inventory to use."

The members of the brigade have a special affinity for Norm's Place on Hartz Avenue, Crow told me, where they party the night before. Then, during the parade, they stop in front of Norm's, present arms, and they all dash in for a shot then run out again to resume their mower marching.

"Everyone just has a great time," said Crow. Well, it certainly sounds like they do! They drink plenty of water, too. Crow said during his decades of participation in the parade he recalls the weather ranging from hot to really hot to really, really hot.

This year the brigade has its sec-

ond second-generation member, a man who grew up in Sycamore and recalls his father marching in the Lawnmower Brigade. He now has moved to the neighborhood with his own family, Crow said.

Those of you who can't attend the parade might be able to catch the Sycamore Lawnmower Brigade on the Late Show with David Letterman. When brigade member Shawn McKigran was in New York a while back, he attended the show and filled out a questionnaire that asked, among other things: Do you know any tricks? Have any talents?

"I said I'm a member of the Lawnmower Brigade and described it and what we do," recalled McKigran. Someone from the show eventually called him to find out more. McKigran put together two film clips—one of the regular parade performances and another specially made of their maneuvers—and sent them in. The Letterman folks told him the show would fly six members to New York to perform their routines for the show, and set a tentative date of June 27. If that doesn't pan out, they might appear in July or August, McKigran said, noting, "It would probably take up a minute of air time."

McKigran describes himself as the group's "slimy agent" and said he is a salesman in real life, for AT&T. "I put together a music video of the Lawnmower Brigade, 15 minutes of us being us," he said. "We love it but I don't know if that means Letterman will love it. But they always love us back here."

That's for sure, Shawn. The brigade is an important part of the community; why, it even has its own trash container in front of Heritage Bank. We just have to be sure not to stand in the way of the Sycamore mowers when they are making their dash into Norm's for a little sustenance.

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POLICE BULLETIN

Speeding leads to DUI arrest

Police arrested a 47-year-old Danville man for allegedly driving drunk on Danville Boulevard by El Cerro last week, said Police Sgt. Troy Craig.

Police officers Dale Meyers and Tom Henderson stopped Danville resident John Corrigan on suspicion of drunken driving at 1:05 a.m., Sunday, June 17. Meyers, who was patrolling the beat, saw Corrigan speeding on his 2000 Chevy Tahoe in an excess of 40 mph in a 25 mph zone on Danville

Boulevard, according to police reports.

Meyers stopped him, made contact, and noticed an odor of alcohol coming from his breath. Henderson arrived at the scene to provide assistance to Meyers, Craig said. Corrigan had an alcohol blood level of .11, according to reports.

Corrigan was cooperative during the investigation; he was given a citation and released, Craig said.

—Jordan M. Doronila

POLICE LOG

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

Sunday, June 17

- Party disturbance in the 800 block of Camino Ramon at 1:16 a.m.
- Battery on Hartz Ave. at 1:48 a.m.
- Promiscuous shooting on Harlan Dr., Fostoria Cir., Sherburne Ct. at 2:11 a.m.
- Fireworks disturbance on Fostoria Way at 2:13 a.m.
- Traffic stop, arrest, on Arroyo Dr. and Diablo Rd. at 3:22 a.m.
- Vandalism on San Vicente Ct. at 10:49 a.m.
- Vandalism on Oneida Cr. at 1:06 p.m.
- Disturbance, threats, on Camino Ramon and Greenbrook Dr., at 1:51 p.m.

Monday, June 18

- Robbery in the 1700 block of San Ramon Valley Blvd. at 4:35 p.m.

Tuesday, June 19

- Traffic stop, arrest, on El Cerro Blvd. at Garden Creek Pl. at 7:49 a.m.
- Hit and run, misdemeanor, on Hartz Ave. at 11:36 a.m.
- Vandalism on 3100 block of Stone Valley Rd. at 11:39 a.m.
- Petty theft on Corte Encanto at 11:54 p.m.
- Petty theft on Weller Lane at 12:22 p.m.
- Vehicle accident with property damage on Camino Tassajara and Crow Canyon Rd. at 12:50 p.m.
- Residential burglary on Fairwood Ct. at 4:03 p.m.
- Credit card fraud on Camino Ramon at 9:10 p.m.

Wednesday, June 20

- Auto burglary on Zephyr Cr. at 4:25 a.m.
- Auto burglary on Sunhaven Rd. at 6:44 a.m.
- Auto burglary on Hunters Terrace at 9:22 a.m.
- Drunk in public in 500 block of San Ramon Valley Blvd. at 10:40 a.m.
- Vandalism on Adobe Dr. at 1:32 p.m.
- Vandalism on El Capitan Dr. and Oneida Cr. at 1:50 p.m.
- Vehicle accident with property damage in 3100 block of Stone Valley Rd. at 2:52 p.m.
- Vehicle accident with property damage on El Capitan Dr. and Oneida Cr. at 2:58 p.m.
- Disturbance, fight, on Ashley Cr. at 3:20 p.m.
- Vehicle accident with major injuries

- on Camino Tassajara at Old Blackhawk Rd. at 4:19 p.m.
- Residential burglary on Lancelot Ct. at 9:40 p.m.

Thursday, June 21

- Battery on Fostoria Way at 1:24 a.m.
- Grand theft on Harris Ct. at 12:20 p.m.
- Auto burglary on St. Norbert Dr. at 12:37 p.m.
- Vehicle accident with property damage on Camino Tassajara and Crow Canyon Rd. at 2:32 p.m.
- Vehicle accident with major injuries on 3400 block of Camino Tassajara at 2:53 p.m.
- Felony vandalism on La Quinta Ct. and St. George Rd. at 3:45 p.m.

Friday, June 22

- Traffic stop, arrest, at Iron Horse Plaza at 2:04 a.m.
- Vehicle accident with major injuries on Brookside Dr. at Sycamore Valley Rd. at 10:31 a.m.
- Vehicle accident with property damage on Camino Ramon and Sycamore Valley Rd. at 10:34 a.m.
- Malicious telephone call in 700 block of San Ramon Valley Blvd. at 3:29 p.m.
- Vandalism on Cross Bridge Pl. at 6:20 p.m.
- Battery at unknown location in Danville at 8:05 p.m.
- Shoplifting on Crow Canyon Rd. at 9:40 p.m.
- Loitering in 100 block of Hartz Ave. at 9:46 p.m.
- Driving under the influence (DUI) on Brookside Dr. at Sycamore Valley

Rd. at 11:40 p.m.

Saturday, June 23

- Party disturbance on Molitas Rd. at 12:58 a.m.
- Vehicle accident with major injuries on I-680 at Sycamore Valley Rd. at 2:29 a.m.
- Vehicle accident with property damage on Camino Ramon and Sycamore Valley Rd. at 2:30 a.m.
- Vehicle accident, fire and ambulance en route, on Greebrook Dr. at 9:34 a.m.
- Vandalism on Dolphin Ct. at 9:54 a.m.
- Vehicle accident with property damage on W. Prospect and Railroad at 2:04 p.m.
- Battery on W. El Pintado Rd. at 7:25 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

Mary Ann Alumbaugh

Danville resident Mary Ann Alumbaugh passed away June 1 after a lengthy illness.

She was born Nov. 29, 1947, in Martinez to Edward and Therese Paoli. She grew up in West Pittsburg and lived all but nine years of her life in the East Bay. She graduated from Pacifica High School in 1966 and continued her education at Diablo Valley College, where she earned an Associate of Arts degree. She later completed her registered nurse education and certification at Los Medanos College. She worked as a nurse in East Bay hospitals for a number of years until her retirement in 2001 due to health reasons.

She actively participated for years in her children's activities and in later years loved playing with her granddaughter, Kailey. She cooked for large gatherings of family and friends, and canned peaches each year with aunts Arlene and A.J. She was an avid gardener, liked to travel, and never missed a movie. She drew great satisfaction from her career as an emergency room nurse and paramedic specialist.

She is survived by Dennis, her husband of 35 years; her daughter Heather Alumbaugh and husband David Rippon; her eldest son Jason Alumbaugh and wife and daughter, Suzanne and Kailey Alumbaugh; and her youngest son Justin Alumbaugh. She is also survived by her brothers and their spouses, Edward and Linda Paoli, Gary and Judy Paoli, James and Janis Paoli, and John and Connie Paoli; as well as by her sisters and their spouses, Debra and Keith Yapp, Tracy and Fred Gibson, and Susan and Kevin Duffy. She is also survived by numerous nephews and nieces, and predeceases some of her aunts and uncles.

Marie Clanet (Plambeck)

Marie Clanet (Plambeck) died peacefully at home on June 11 after a brief battle with abdominal cancer.

She was born in Southern France in 1947 and during the early 1970s

co-owned a restaurant in Paris. She moved to Houston, Texas, during the oil boom of the 1980s and became an expert in clinical skin care and an American citizen. For the past 25 years she operated her own business, Clanet Clinical Skin Care in San Jose.

She nurtured families in both France and the U.S. She is survived by her fiancé Eric Plambeck, her partner of 12 years; her mother Antonia Clanet; brothers Alain and Christian Clanet; and nieces in France; her USA parents, Bill and Bev Plambeck, and her stepdaughters, Allison and MaryBeth Plambeck.

A memorial service was held June 24 at a private home. There will also be a Celebration of her Life at 6 p.m., Monday, July 16, at the Avalon Salon, 900 S. Winchester Blvd., San Jose. In lieu of flowers, donations in Marie's name may be sent to Kaiser Hospice in Martinez.

Brianna Lauren Grant

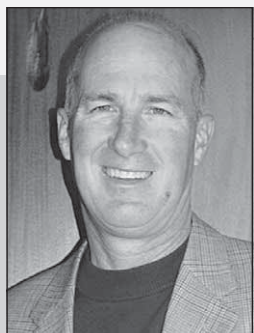
Brianna Lauren Grant, a Danville resident, passed away at the age of 17 after a courageous fight against MDS and undergoing a bone marrow transplant June 15.

She was born Jan. 12, 1990, and was an award-winning artist who loved to paint, draw and create stencils. Her passions included fashion, sewing and handcrafts and she was intelligent and fun-loving.

She was a beloved daughter of Iva and John Wilcox and James Grant and Mary O'Callaghan; sister to Trevor Grant and stepsister to Erin and Tara O'Callaghan. She leaves behind her great-grandmother, Sava Sipka; her grandparents, Mike and Bona Sipka and Joyce Grant; many aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends.

A funeral Mass was celebrated June 20 at St. Isidore's Catholic Church in Danville, and a service was held June 21 at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Danville. Donations can be made to National Art Honor Society (NAHS) at Monte Vista High School, 825 Hartz Way, Danville 94526.

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A popular celebration

Danville will be front and center in Wednesday's Independence Day display of patriotism. The Kiwanis Fourth of July Parade draws thousands from near and far to enjoy its old-fashioned hospitality as folks from throughout the San Ramon Valley and beyond gather to express our joy that we are the United States of America and have been for 231 years. It's the time we set aside our political differences to appreciate being Americans and the opportunities we have living in our country, and especially living here.

The parade in Danville has grown into a local phenomenon, with reports showing that as many as 30,000-40,000 people attend. Just what draws such a crowd to Danville for our parade? There so many other wonder-

ful places people can spend a holiday around here—beaches, parks and the mountains are all just a short drive away. What makes thousands and thousands of people converge on Danville?

Something draws parade-goers to this particular event to

demonstrate their pride in our country and their happiness at being Americans. Somehow Danville has become that place to share in the camaraderie, probably in large part because of our charming downtown and our welcoming attitude. The Kiwanis Club of San Ramon Valley draws on its decades of experience to present a parade that runs smoothly and improves every year. Local businesses help out by distributing everything from bottles of water to trash bags. And the Town of Danville and its Police Department also work hard to make sure that everything stays safe and sane.

The Fourth of July gathering is a chance to show off our charming town for visitors who, hopefully, will want to return again and again to enjoy our shops and restaurants. How wonderful that the Fourth of July parade belongs to Danville. How great to welcome the greater community here to celebrate our biggest national holiday. Happy Independence Day.

Something draws parade-goers to this particular event to demonstrate their pride in our country and their happiness at being Americans.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Disappointed in Democrats

Dear Editor:

As an executive board member of the Tri-Valley Democratic Club, I was disappointed to see our club host Richard Gage to speak about unfounded, alternative interpretations of Sept. 11 ("Architect speaks on collapse of towers," June 22). Out of protest, I and other members did not attend. Though I support free speech, the Tri-Valley Democratic Club should not be used as a forum to advance crackpot theories accepted only by fringe groups and conspiracy theorists.

Instead, our club should have been addressing the issues of the day that concern everyone in the Tri-Valley, from Danville to Livermore: increasing access to health care; providing preschool education for all; making college affordable for tomorrow's leaders; and keeping Livermore's VA Hospital open to treat and care for our brave soldiers of today's war and wars past.

Being associated with 9/11 conspiracy theories damages the group's ability to tackle these more important issues.

*Eric M. Swalwell
Dublin*

Show both sides

Dear Editor:

I recognize that your June 22 story on page 6, "Architect speaks on collapse of towers," was reporting on a local meeting event but given the controversial nature of the presentation it would seem appropriate that other scientific studies be referenced that have a different conclusion. An example would be the Purdue University simulation study released on June 12. See the news section of Purdue's Web site at www.purdue.edu.

*David Short
Alamo*

911, global warming truths

Dear Editor:

I was encouraged by the publication of Natalie O'Neill's report of the Tri-Valley Democrats meeting last week at which Danville resident Ellis Goldberg, president of the club, exposed the facts by inviting Richard Gage of Architects and Engineers for 911 Truth to demonstrate that the impact of the planes couldn't themselves have brought the towers down so quickly.

I have a copy of the 911 Report, plus my training as an MS in Chemical Engineering, holding a Professional Engineers License in Texas, long ago led me to the same conclusion. Of course, it's

only now that it's safe to reveal such truths, with the ratings of the administration and Congress so low.

That's only half of the story. The myth that current global warming is caused by mankind is equally false. We've had cycles of global warming on our planet for many millennia. Any small portion of the current cycle attributable to mankind can easily be eliminated by return to mass transit.

The voting patterns of our "two party system" more correctly named the Demicans and Republicrats, may lead us to believe that we no longer have a republic, or a democracy, but a rule by which both parties are resorting to forms of inducing paranoia among the public to have their way.

*Ralph Hoffmann
Danville*

Editor's note:

To read more comments about "Architect speaks on collapse of Twin Towers," visit www.DanvilleWeekly.com

Likes barista's art

Dear Editor:

About the story June 22 on the art in Starbucks, I love the art that has been hung at the Danville Starbucks on Railroad Avenue. The art gives a very cozy feeling to the store.

Perhaps the woman who did not like the painting should not frequent that particular Starbucks and allow the rest of us who appreciate art to enjoy.

The barista, Christopher, is an extremely talented artist and should be allowed to share his passion and love of art with our community.

*Mary Robertson
Danville*

Community diminished, bit by bit

Dear Editor:

What happened to the art at the Railroad Avenue Starbucks would be pretty funny if it weren't so sad.

A series of over-reactions results in less display space for art. Unfortunately, this is a pattern that has repeated over and over. One minor incident or complaint and public resources disappear.

It's easier and safer to shut things down than to find solutions. The net result is that our community is diminished, bit by bit.

*Fred Turner
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*Wounded soldier
and his wife talk
about their first
year in Danville*

After Iraq

story and photos by Jordan M. Doronila

Fire rages; flames surge. Many run; others hide. But some, like Joey Bozik, 29, an Iraqi War veteran, hasten forth into the heat. "It's basically instinctual," Joey said, explaining how he faced life missing three

limbs upon his return from Iraq.

He has a strong instinct for survival, thinking clearly and looking for solutions.

"It's inherited," he said. "I ask myself the question all the time."

Joey, who was injured in a mine explosion in Iraq, recalled how some couldn't handle the adjustment living back in the U.S., while others could.

He and his wife Jayme, 27, talked about their first year living in Danville, their experiences being part of the Danville Sentinels of Freedom, a program that helps wounded soldiers transition back as civilians, and their adjustment to living in a small town.

Joey and other soldiers in the program will be riding on the Blue Star Moms float at the Fourth of July Parade downtown Wednesday. Other wounded veterans will include Ben Crowley, Manny Mendoza, Jake Brown and Manny Del Rio.

Joey said he has been able to make the transition after his injuries.

"I have no nightmares," he said. "I have no regrets. Why waste energy on something negative when you can spend it on something positive?"

Nevertheless, the thought of not being able to play golf, football and many other things was difficult, he said. At Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., he had to emotionally and mentally deal with losing two legs and a right arm after waking up from a coma in October 2004.

"The difficulty is the learning process," Joey said. "You go from being in charge to missing three limbs. I couldn't feed myself. I was helpless. You had to do everything all over again."

"You spent a lot of time rebuilding," he added. "You get frustrated."

When he began processing his injuries, he was asking himself questions.

"How did this happen?" he asked. "What does the future hold for me?"

"It's unknown territory," Jayme added.

"You have to take it one day at a time. It's a long process. He couldn't imagine never playing golf again."

She noted there were family members, friends, doctors and psychologists who kept visiting him. Joey was taking medication to curb his initial physical pain as his body stabilized.

"We called it the revolving door," she said.

Joey said he felt comfortable at Walter Reed. He declined to comment about the recent stories revealing the hospital's neglect and physical deterioration.

"I'm in a good place," he said he remembered thinking, surrounded by his older brothers, mother, friends and quality health care.

Dr. Michael Matthews, a scholar of positive psychology at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, said the majority of soldiers grow emotionally mature from being engaged in difficult experiences, whether they are dramatic or traumatic.

"What you see in the press is Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome, anxiety, drug use, and broken marriages associated in the public mind as a seemingly inevitable consequence of combat," said Matthews.

While there are soldiers who struggle adjusting to civilian life, most of them are able to transition and deal with personal challenges, he said.

Post Traumatic Growth, which means people make sense of their traumatic experiences, helps develop their positive characteristics, such as compassion and courage.

"Evidently, he is showing resilience and personal growth," Matthews said, about Bozik.

Joey Bozik and Jayme Peters met each other through e-mail while he was stationed in Afghanistan. When he returned on leave, they spent time with each other, eventually realizing they knew in their hearts they would marry. But he then left for Iraq, and when he came back, he was missing major limbs.

"I'm proud of the service he was doing," said Jayme. "I didn't doubt it. I felt whatever was going to happen, it was going to be in God's hands."



Iraqi War veteran and now Danville resident Joey Bozik plays golf at Crow Canyon Country Club on a hot afternoon last week.

He told her he could not do the things a regular man could do, such as holding her hands and running together on a beach. He would understand if she decided to leave him, he told her.

But Jayme told Joey: "You've got your heart; you've got your mind. That's all I need."

"I guess we are getting married," Joey replied.

He called her dad to get his permission to marry her. Joey and Jayme married Dec. 31, 2004, in the hospital chapel.

After Joey was in stable condition and put in outpatient care in February 2005, the Boziks briefly stayed at a hotel.



Joey and his wife Jayme joke with each other during their golf games.

"I was with Joey 24 days, seven days a week," said Jayme. "We lived in a hotel room with one bedroom."

Spending this amount of time with each other put stress on their relationship, they recalled. Jayme said going into the bathroom was often the only way to be alone.

"You have nothing to talk about," she said. "We never could truly get away from each other. People need personal space."

"That's what marriage is about—not about having the same life," added Joey.

A friend of Joey's at Walter Reed told him about Mike Conklin and the Sentinels of Freedom, as a viable option. Conklin contacted Joey by telephone after receiving information about him.

"We're looking for attitude," Conklin said. "Without attitude, we have nothing."

"He was tenacious," he added, about Joey. "His injuries would've killed him. He didn't give up. He fought it."

The Boziks traveled to Danville in November 2005 to meet with Conklin and see California.

"I got to meet a lot of people," Joey said. "It's a different mental state in California. People here are more relaxed mentally."

"On the East Coast, it's, 'What the hell are you looking at!'" he added.

The Sentinels board of directors chose the Boziks for a "scholarship" to launch him into a productive life in 2006. The group found the couple a home for four years donated by Castle Construction, its furnishings, and a job at Wells Fargo.

"It's a community responsibility," Conklin said, about helping soldiers. "We feel it's not just the government. It's our sons and daughters that go out and serve."

"All the community embracing has been incredible," he added. "It is a huge testament of the heart of America for the members of the military who have been wounded in the war."

The Boziks first drove to North Carolina to spend time with his family and then to Texas to spend time with hers before heading West to Danville. Jayme did most of the packing, and they shared the driving.

They arrived in Danville on Father's Day in June 2006, Jayme said, and received a warm welcome.

"I was very touched by how much the community came to support Joey," she said. "It makes it feel great to be an American."

The Boziks were asked to appear in the Kiwanis Fourth of July Parade soon after their arrival. But Joey didn't know he was going to head up the Sentinels of Freedom sitting on the back of a convertible next to Councilman Mike Doyle. Television folks followed them up and down the route and asked him to make a few comments.

At times, the attention does get overwhelming, he said, noting that some of the most touching gestures he received were World War II veterans or other people buying him food and walking away.

"Sometimes, you have to say no," said Jayme. "There are so many people that want to see Joey."

He expressed some disappointment about how many media outlets have gotten facts wrong about him or his wife or only released short sound bites after he gave lengthy interviews. Nevertheless, he said it was important to make people know about the importance and impact of fighting in Iraq.

Joey believes the U.S. would need substantially more soldiers to stop the bloodshed and to bring stability to Iraq. If

this does not work, then withdrawing the troops, strengthening security internally in the United States, and working with the United Nations and other countries to prevent terrorism is an alternative option.

"It's becoming worse in Iraq," he said, adding that someone with military experience like former Secretary of State Colin Powell leading the mission could bring victory in Iraq.

"We are not fighting for oil," he said. "We are fighting terrorism."

Additionally, he believes educating children in the Middle East will bring change.

"Look, you have the freedom of choice to believe in Allah or Jesus," he said. "That's significant. You're not going to change 50-year-olds. That's not going to happen."

Joey, who works as a personal banker at Wells Fargo on San Ramon Valley Boulevard, said living a civilian life is not that difficult compared to being in the military, where your life is often at stake.

Jayme recently started a civil engineering job at AT&T.

Joey still swims, and he plays golf, using prosthetic hands, once a week at Crow Canyon Country Club in Danville.

The couple said it is expensive living in Danville, and they don't know if they plan to stay when their scholarship runs out after three years. The Boziks enjoy the small town atmosphere and mingling with a mature crowd of people. Despite not having friends their age, they said they enjoy each other's company or relaxing at home. They talked about getting a ranch house in a level area so Joey would be able to maneuver the streets more easily.

"We would like to stay in the area, but it's too expensive," he said.

This isn't the life the young couple dreamed of when they realized they were falling in love. But it's the life they are building together, facing the fire, pain, adjustments, with humor and noting that the fire of their love still burns strong. ■



MTV crew films footage of Jayme putting prosthetic legs on Joey so he can be ready to play golf.

Team Heim tackling Avon Breast Cancer Walk

It's a family affair to beat cancer after mom is diagnosed

by Natalie O'Neill

Cancer survivor Connie Heim has gotten high seven times. But not from anything you can smoke, shoot or snort.

Having completed seven breast cancer marathons, she says the feeling of passing through the finish line can only be described as total euphoria.

"If I could have bottled what I felt, I'd be rich. It was that kind of high," she said of her last walk for breast cancer.

The Danville resident was diagnosed with early-stage breast cancer in September 2001 and has raised \$103,000 in the last five years doing walks all over the country.

Chicago, Boston, San Diego, San Francisco. The inconvenience of the location hasn't stopped her from getting there, getting fit and getting donations.

Now, after five-and-a-half years of being cancer free, she will walk in this year's Avon Breast Cancer Walk on July 7-8 in San Francisco. And she will do so with a deep motivation and sense of thankfulness.

"Every step I take, I take in gratitude. I was one of the lucky ones," she said.

A case of breast cancer, the most common cause of cancer among women worldwide, is diagnosed every three minutes. Breast cancer alone causes 502,000 deaths each year worldwide in both men and women—according to the most recent numbers.

The efforts of walkers, crew members and donors for Avon Breast Cancer allow medically underserved patients to be treated, giving them access to the care they require. They also fund research teams on their path to finding a cure.

This year, Connie, her husband Don and their 27-year-old daughter Katie will do the nearly 40-mile walk together, as they have in the past. In 2004 they completed their first walk as a family and dubbed themselves Team Heim. Walkers are encouraging, with cheering crowds, honking horns and even one man who blasts Roy Orbison's "Pretty Woman" every year, Connie said.

"We're going to be walking in one of the most beautiful cities in the world," Don said. The walk goes over the Golden Gate Bridge and into Sausalito and Mill Valley.

The event will give them an opportunity to both make a difference in the lives of cancer patients and bond with each other and other families of cancer patients while they push their bodies to their limits.

Walking, staying healthy and striving for a positive attitude played a big part in beating her cancer, Connie said.

A combination of catching the cancer early, radiation and keeping high spirits helped her beat the malignant growth without chemotherapy. She went through two surgeries in a week, all the while knowing there was a good chance the cancer had spread to her lymph nodes.

When she and her husband Don found out the cancer wasn't in the lymph nodes, it was an incredible weight off both of their shoulders.

"Don aged 20 years that week," she said.

"It was devastating," Don recalled. "The first thing I said was 'we' will get through this, not 'you' will."

After she left the hospital, the nurses told her something that helped her immensely with her battle: Attitude is everything.

"They told me, 'Keep your attitude—it will save you,'" she remembered.

And her walks helped her to do this.

"I refocused on something outside of me instead of thinking about myself," she said.



Breast cancer survivor Connie Heim has walked with her daughter Katie and husband Don, along with friends and other survivors in four cities to raise more than \$100,000 for breast cancer.

Shortly after her surgery, she began walking three to four miles with her dog three times a week to train for the cancer walks.

To raise money for each walk, Connie sends letters out to every one she knows—friends, acquaintances, volunteers she met through her work at Katie's schools. Even with the vast walk, sore muscles, dehydration and shin splints, Connie says fundraising is the most difficult part of the event.

"The hardest part is asking people for money," she said.

Connie's best fundraising story, she said, happened while she was training. To get ready for the San Francisco slopes, she would walk the hill by Peters Ranch in Danville. This had her huffing and puffing and her heart pounding every time, but at the top she always looked forward to seeing a gorgeous house.

"It was my reward," she explained, because it was so aesthetically pleasing.

One afternoon, she decided to write the owners of the house a note, to let them know that she always looked forward to reaching the house while training. She thanked the homeowners for making her walk more beautiful and told them what she was preparing for.

Days later, she got a generous check in the mail from an owner of the house—money she put right into donations for the walk. The money that generous Danville folks like this have contributed has had direct positive result on breast cancer patients, Connie said.

"People are being diagnosed earlier. Yes, we are looking for a cure, but we also want to get people in for early detection," she said, adding that she feels like she's making a difference.

This year, for the eighth time, Connie will get high. And this time, again, she'll have her family right there with her. ■



Don, Connie and Katie Heim pose with their friend Barb Weedn, who they met at a walk in San Francisco the year before, at a 2004 marathon.



Katie, Connie, and Don Heim, known as Team Heim, walked as a family to raise money for breast cancer for the first time in San Diego.



Connie Heim and daughter Katie took on a Boston walk for breast cancer, with survivors and those who passed away on their minds.



Team Heim relaxes on the beach in San Diego after a long day of walking.

The Pet Vet says...



BY DR. HEIDI STRAND

Tips for flying with kitty

Q. I'm going to be moving to another state and a much larger house in a few months. I'm going to be flying out and my cat is going to be with me. My husband is following with a truck. How can I make her comfortable and reduce the trauma of moving?

A. If there's one thing cats hate, it's going places. Flying is usually less stressful (for them, anyways) than driving, especially during the hot summer months. Hopefully, your cat will be able to travel in the aircraft cabin with you on your trip. Pets may also travel in the cargo area of the plane, as there is typically a weight limit on pets that travel in the cabin. Be sure to check with your airline first. Each airline has different rules. Southwest Airlines, for example, doesn't allow pets at all, either in the cabin or in cargo, except for service animals. Airlines will often charge extra and have specific requirements about the size of the pet carrier, the size of the animal, and the need for a health certificate and current vaccinations. You want to be fully prepared so you don't have any problems once you arrive for the flight. Leaving your cat behind will not be an option once you are at the airport!

Once you decide on your pet carrier for the trip, leave it lying

around open for your cat to investigate. You don't want the first time she sees the pet carrier to be the day you are flying, so do this as much ahead of time as you can. She will sniff at it and maybe even walk in on her own, particularly if you leave a few treats in there for her to discover. A small towel or T-shirt with her scent on it will also make the carrier more comfortable for her while you're traveling.

At the airport, be sure you have your cat's health certificate and vaccination records handy in case the check-in agent asks for them. The last time I flew with my cat in the cabin, I was required to take him out and carry him through the metal detector while the carrier went through the X-ray machine. At that point, I was really wishing I had fitted him with a harness, just to be able to snap on a leash for extra security in case he tried to jump out of my arms. So be forewarned—in addition to taking off your shoes and taking out your ziplock baggie of toiletries, you may be wrangling the cat as well.

In the aircraft cabin it's probably safer and less stressful to leave your cat in the carrier. It might also be required by the flight crew. Bring a bowl in which to put water during the flight, such as a small ceramic bowl that doesn't tip. (If

your pet is going by cargo, the airlines will have strict guidelines as to what can and can't be included in the carrier.) I don't usually recommend sedating pets during travel, for safety reasons, but your veterinarian may have a different recommendation.

Once you arrive at your new home, it's best to keep kitty confined to one room while you're getting the house settled. Set up a room with food, water and a litter box, and let the cat get acclimated for a short period of time. Getting familiar with the sounds and smells of the new space will give her comfort when she does have full access to the house. If you allow your cat outside, wait at least six weeks for her to get used to the inside of the house first, before exposing her to the new outdoors. And be sure to have her microchipped before you go, just in case!

—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.

A movie review of what's

NOW SHOWING
Jeanne Aufmuth

★★★

Rating: PG-13 for unsettling themes and language
Run Time: 2 hours, 20 minutes

Marion Cotillard burns down the house as France's gifted but self-destructive superstar Edith Piaf.

Piaf wasn't called "Little Sparrow" for nothing; her lilting voice made the angels weep. But the psychological damage from a dysfunctional upbringing left scars that would impact the rest of her life.

Raised by alcoholic parents and left to her own devices at her grandmother's dreary brothel, a rejected Edith knew plenty of hard times. Ultimately she hoped to leave her harrowing past behind and struck out on her own, singing in the streets for paltry francs.

Nightclub owner Louis Leplee (Gerard Depardieu) heard those magical tones wafting from Parisian alleyways and immediately offered her a job at his disreputable nightclub. From there La Mome Piaf's star rose astronomically, but not without the whiff of scandal as Luplee's murder left her shrouded in suspicion and guilt.

Love was Piaf's fleeting sanctuary; her torrid affair with married middleweight boxing champ Marcel Cerdan (Jean-Pierre Martins) a tonic that soothed her very soul until his untimely death sent the weary chanteuse spiraling into a vortex of grief and substance abuse from which she never recovered.

Cotillard manages to embody all of Piaf's agonizing glory, from her staggering talent to the frivolous martyrdom and stunning flaws. Her temperamental star is charming, demanding and difficult, a true artiste for whom nothing and no one is spared her acerbic tongue.

Piaf's music is equally mournful and palliative; eerily evocative as it smoothes over a dizzying whirlwind of flashbacks and the visual squalor of life on the stark side.

As arresting as Cotillard's performance is—a brilliant achievement—her movie is a touselled biopic, both bleak and disturbing, a lengthy bad dream that wrings out every drop of sympathy and sentiment, leaving a dark well of sorrow in its wake.

—Jeanne Aufmuth

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Danville becomes a town, officially

The first six months of 1982 were lively ones. The Danville boundaries were in place and 12 candidates signed up to run for the Town Council on June 8. A Yes vote on Measure B would approve what the ballot titled "Danville Incorporation."

The YES ON B campaign set up a steering committee with Dick McNeely as campaign chairman, Carla Berg Nelson as campaign coordinator, and area chairmen in nine neighborhoods. A long list of other people took responsibility for different campaign jobs, including Chris Winter, endorsements; Doug Mie, treasurer; Walt Mitchell, fundraising; and Marilyn Milam, coffee chairman. There were also Signs with "Incorporate Danville, Yes on B" dotted front yards.

Candidates met with the campaign committee to get details on the incorporation proposal, since most of them had not been involved in incorporation planning. In an unusual example of cooperation, they all agreed not to use individual political signs because of the expense and unsightliness. Most candidates participated in a mailer which promoted incorporation and introduced each of them. This cut the costs of mailing for everyone.

The candidates were: Bob Hussey, Boyer August, Susanna Schlendorf, Kyle Meintzer (who opposed incorporation), Doug Offenhartz, Alice Brydon, Beverly Lane, John Maloney, Dick McNeely, Al Guzman, John May and Tony Stepper. John May's snappy slogan was VOTE MAY IN JUNE. John was 20 years older than most of the candidates, and he and his wife Margaret had been active in Danville since 1951.

Opposition to the YES ON B campaign was presented by a committee that organized as The People Against Incorporation of Danville. They sent out fliers questioning the costs, produced catchy negative cartoons, opposed "another layer of government" and asserted that Danville would lose its entire CHP enforcement. The weekends before election, prominent "NO INC" signs appeared all over town, many planted in the public right-of-ways. The signs promptly disappeared in the night.

Incorporation efforts often involve people who see their task as "educating the voter." They soon discover it is really a political cam-



John and Margaret May's attractive family was featured in his campaign literature.

paign to persuade voters to vote Yes and to raise funds to get the message out. Because many voters don't read the local newspapers, money for printing and postage are essential. The rare person enjoys asking for money, so fundraising was a real challenge for the campaign.

Leadership provided another challenge as some of the incorporation volunteers decided to run for council. Non-candidates were needed to run the campaign itself. At the same time it was clear that candidates knowledgeable on incorporation were the best emissaries to the voters. The candidates walked neighborhoods and touted both incorporation and their own qualifications; these efforts in the hot summer sun helped Measure B succeed.

When the ballot arrived, it included an explanation of the proposal by Contra Costa County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) officer Dewey Mansfield and arguments for and against Measure B. The Yes and rebuttal arguments were signed by Chris Winter, Carla Nelson, Gay Wyne, Maynard Crowther and George Filice. M.B. Frazier signed the arguments against.

June 8 was Election Day and the final certified vote brought victory: Yes, 5809; and No, 4952. Of 16,936 registered voters, 10,761 voted. While some said the margin of victory came from voters who lived in the San Ramon ZIP code north of Crow Canyon, the final success did not depend on their positive votes.

The new Town Council was John May, Beverly Lane, Dick McNeely, Susanna Schlendorf and Doug

Offenhartz. Al Guzman was 78 votes behind, in sixth place. After some well-deserved celebrating, the council set to work with less than a month to take over government services. The council hired an interim manager, George Gaekle, negotiated with the county, and was sworn in July 1, 1982.

A gala installation celebration was planned that night at the Education Center. The ceremony was opened by County Supervisor Robert Schroder, the Rev. Martin Werfelmann of Immanuel Lutheran Church gave an invocation, and the colors were presented by Boy Scout Troop No. 36. The Town Council was sworn in by Judge Max Wilcox, and John May was elected the first mayor. Several presentations were made, including one by Jim Eastman of Eastman Printing who gave Howard Fite's Danville logo design to the Town. Raydean Randlett coordinated the event and handsome program. Celebrants asked council members to autograph the program—which was definitely a new experience for all of them.

For the incorporation advocates and the five elected council members, the events of 25 years ago were among the most memorable of their lives. The anniversary will be marked with an exhibit in the Danville library in July and August and a celebration at the new Oak Hill Community Center in September.

Sources: Museum archives, personal communications and journals

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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Admiring one of the Grand Award winners are (l-r) Pat Behring, Blackhawk Museum Guild President; Dick Delfosse, owner of Richard's Arts and Crafts in Alamo; and Don Kowalski, founder and chairman of Student Art for Education.

Honoring student art

The Blackhawk Museum pre-viewed artwork of the Grand Award winners of the 16th annual Student Art for Education (SAFE) at the end of May. Nearly two dozen pieces of art, created by students in grades K through 5 at elementary schools within the San Ramon Valley Unified School District were on exhibit before a Gala Dinner and Art Auction was held at the Marriott at Bishop Ranch on June 1.

Don Kowalski, founder of SAFE, thanked the companies and individuals who support the effort, as well as the framers and galleries that donate the framing of the children's artwork. Since its inception, SAFE has donated more than \$1 million to the school district.

Drummer makes appearance

Last month the Danville Community Church was thrilled to host world famous drum and TV star Max Weinberg, drummer for the Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band, who spoke eloquently, said Laudie Freed.

"He believes the key to success is in having a dream, believing in your

dream and never stopping yourself from reaching your dream," said Freed. "He was moved to come to speak to our congregation because of our dream of building our own home within which to worship. He understood how difficult fundraising can be and for that reason, he appeared to assist the temple in raising funds for our new home."

"One audience member relayed his memory of when Max played with E-Street band in a small gymnasium 30 years ago," she added. "We were all shocked when Max actually remembered the auditorium and the event."

He answered every question the audience could think of, she said, and then stayed afterwards to sign autographs and have photos taken. He will be moving to the Tonight Show, along with its new host, Conan O'Brien, Freed said.

SRV grad receives AMPA scholarship

During the recent San Ramon Valley High School awards night, the Alamo Merchant and Professional Association presented one of its two annual \$1,000 scholarship awards to San Ramon Valley High School Senior Andrew Reichhold.

Rich Wood, Alamo Merchant and Professional Association president, and Dan Harrington, AMPA board member, made the presentation.

"Andrew has been selected as our choice from among a number of eligible candidates who applied for this scholarship award," said Wood. "Each year AMPA selects two deserving seniors from our two local high schools. It is our hope that this cash award will enable Andrew to more comfortably pursue his objective of furthering his education in business at University of Oregon."

"We congratulate Andrew upon the completion of his senior year, earning his high school diploma and advancing to the next exciting chapter of his life," said AMPA Awards Chairman Joe Combs. "We are pleased to play this small role in his continuing success and good fortune."

Other activities sponsored by AMPA are the annual Alamo Tree Lighting Ceremony, the Music and Wine Festival and the Bicycle (BMX) Safety Program.



San Ramon Valley High School graduating senior Andrew Reichhold receives the Alamo Merchant and Professional Association Annual Scholarship from Rich Wood and Dan Harrington.

JJ Jansen is Eagle Scout

Jonathan Lynlee "JJ" Jansen, son of Lynn and Cindy Jansen and brother of Alexander Jansen of Diablo, was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout on May 20 at Blackhawk Country Club. The National Court of Honor also recognized Andrew Campion and Kevin Valla for earning their Eagle Medals.

JJ, Drew and Kevin met in Den 6 of Pack 36 in 1996, all earning the Arrow of Light, which is the highest award in Cub Scouting and can be worn as a Boy Scout. He completed his Eagle Scout project in conjunction with the Mount Diablo Interpretive Association (MDIA) for removing the old wood, metal and barbed wire rancher fence line, covered in poison oak, on a slope of Mount Diablo State Park. JJ prepared a plan, assembled volunteers, and trained them on tool use safety and debris removal.

JJ just graduated from Monte



Vista High School where he was on the swim team, water polo team and sang in the choir. He will attend Chico State University in the fall.



Competition was an odyssey

Sycamore Valley Elementary School sent two teams to the World Competition of Odyssey of the Mind held in Lansing, Mich., from May 22-26, where 22 countries were represented. The team pictured won third place out of 47 teams in their division, with first place going to a team from Singapore. Pictured are (front row, l-r) Sarah Kelkar, Evan Jaffe, Seddon Macholz, Odyssey of the Mind mascot "Omer," Katie Klass, Grace Rekkers, and Sean Jaffe; (back) co-coach Julie Macholz. Co-coach Brian Jaffe is not shown.

The second Sycamore team did not place, but is looking forward to participating again next year. Its team members were Alex Anzoategui, Ethan Brouwer, Jake Carlier, Conor Mullins, Ryan Mullins, Grant Rivas, Florentin von Haugwitz and Coach Chalton Mullins.

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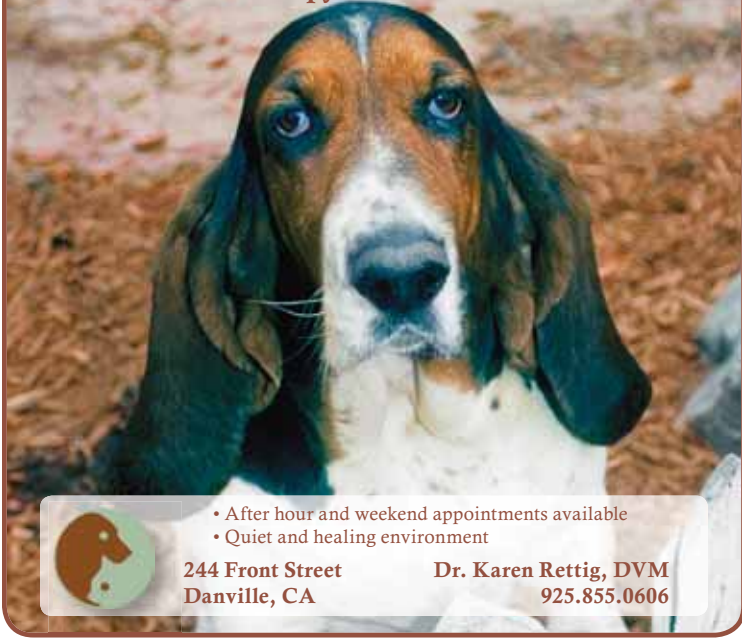

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Sports

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A Giant win

Giants player Jake Yarnold connects with the ball in the District 57 Minors AAA Playoffs between the San Ramon Valley Little League Giants and the Dublin National Little League Mariners. The Giants came from behind to win 12-6. At right, John Hooper and Jake Suh lead the end-game congratulations.

Hurray for the Red victory

The Reds defeated the Giants in a 3-1 win June 19 to clinch the TVLL National League Double A Championship, with (front, l-r) Brandon Sturla, Daniel Golub, Dawson Vasconi, Chris Cheng; (center) Alex Eidler, William Frazier, Garrison Wong, Dominic Turchet, Thomas Mannell, Garrett Donahue; (back) Coaches Joel Golub, Chris Eidler and Andy Vasconi. Not pictured: Joe Huffman, Zohair Tharani.



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Yankees victorious

The San Ramon Valley Little League AAA championship game was played at Alamo School on June 13 with the Yankees emerging as victors. Team members were (front, l-r) Daniel Wilson, Will Dieterich, Riley Cole, Sarah Cosca, Ryan MacLeod, Tanner Smith; (middle) Scott Shirreffs, Nicholas McKenna, James Esteban, John Kaiser, Henry Hall, Scott Larson; (back) Coach Corey Wilson, Coach Bill Dieterich, Manager Kevin Cole.



Danville man speaks at Special Olympics

Danville resident MJ Mc Colgan gave a speech at the VIP reception at the Special Olympics Northern California Summer Games, which were held on the campus of UC Berkeley from June 8-10. MJ Mc Colgan, who was born with a strain of cerebral palsy, is the 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 Northern California Special Olympics Gold Medal State Golf Champion. He has also won three National Championships. In 2004, he was inducted into the 2004 San Francisco Tri-Valley Sports Hall Of Fame. American Idol's Katherine Mc Phee and David Garibaldi performed at the opening ceremony of the Summer Games, then the 1,200 athletes competed for two days in sporting events.

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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.

Glover Group Plein Air Painting Exhibition

The Glover Group, a local plein air painting group, will host an opening reception of recent work from 6-7 p.m., Friday, June 22, at the Orinda Library Gallery, Garden Room, 24 Orinda Way. The showing will continue through July 31 during library business hours.

Author Visit

Life and Times of Autos and Art

Blackhawk Museum will host Robert Welch and his presentation on "Life and Times of Autos and Art" at 2 p.m., Sunday, July 22, at the Blackhawk Museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville. Free with museum admission. Call 736-2277.

Clubs

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

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

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

Alamo-Danville Newcomers' Club This club is open to new and long-time women residents of Alamo and Danville interested in making new friends in the area. Their Prospective Member Coffee is held the fourth Thursday of the month, and a monthly luncheon on the second Tuesday. Call 775-3233 or visit www.alamodanvillenewcomers.com.

Amador Valley Quilters Lemonade Social Amador Valley Quilters will host a Lemonade Social from 1:30-3:30 p.m., Saturday, July 14, at Pleasanton Middle School, 5001 Case Ave. Bring lunch; lemonade and cookies will be served. Guest speaker is Nora McMeeking, who will also hold a workshop the following day. Visit www.amadorvalleyquilters.org.

Bay Area Single Christians BASC club is a free, large, online group with event listings for Christian single adults around the S.F. Bay Area. See information at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/bascingles/>.

Bay Books Book Club San Ramon Bay Books hosts two book clubs reviewing different books. The first club meets at 7 p.m., the second Tuesday of every month; the second book club meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month, both meeting at the San Ramon store, 2415 San Ramon Valley Blvd. Call 855-1524.

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

Business Network International

The Danville Chapter of Business Network International, a world-wide networking organization that focuses on helping local businesses grow through building strong networking relationships, meets at 7 a.m. every Friday at Denny's Restaurant on Camino Ramon. For information, call Glenn Polanco at 831-3372.

Danville AM Toastmasters Club The club meets from 7-8:30 a.m., every Tuesday, at Father Nature's, 178 E. Prospect Ave. Guests are welcome. For more information, contact Dave Miklasevich at 899-1543 or dmik210@yahoo.com or www.danvilleamtoastmasters.org.

Danville Job's Daughters Job's Daughters is an international organization for girls between the ages of 10-20 with Masonic heritage who like to have fun and make friends. The group meets at 7 p.m., the second and fourth Tuesday of every month, at the Danville Grange Hall, 743 Diablo Rd. Call 829-8505.

Danville Lions Club The Danville Lions Club meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Brass Door Restaurant, 2154 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon. Join as their guest to learn the contribution you can make as a Lion. For information, call 984-1541.

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

Danville PM Toastmaster Club #1785 The club meets from 7:30-9 p.m., every Wednesday, at DVC, San Ramon Campus, Room 217, 3150 Crow Canyon Place, San Ramon. Guests are welcome. For information call Debra Elmore at 934-3113 or visit www.danvilletoastmasters1785.com.

Danville Rotary The Danville Rotary meets at noon every Monday at the Brass Door, 2154 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon. For information, visit www.danvillerotary.org.

Danville-Sycamore Valley Rotary The Danville-Sycamore Valley Rotary Club meets for breakfast at 7 a.m., every Tuesday at Crow Canyon Country Club, 711 Silver Lake Drive, Danville. Join them for great fellowship and make a difference in your community and the world. Call Scott at 743-8449.

Diablo Diggers Dance Club The Diablo Diggers Dance Club meets five times a year for dinner and dancing with a live band in the Danville or Walnut Creek area. The club is looking for a few new members, couples only. For information, call 938-0316.

Diablo Singles Dance Club Diablo Singles Dance Club dances regularly the last Wednesday of the month from 7:30-10:30 p.m., at the Arts Education Building, corner of Ygnacio Valley Road and Wiget Lane, Walnut Creek. The cost is \$7 for members and \$9 for non-members. All are welcome. Call 837-2851.

Diablo Valley Fly Fisherman This club meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month at Heather Farm Lakeside Room, 301 N. San Carlos, Walnut Creek. Guests are welcome. For information, visit www.diablovalleyflyfish.org.

Diablo Valley Networking Group Come join this dynamic team of business professionals to network and promote your business at 7:30 a.m., every Tuesday at Father Nature's restaurant on Prospect Avenue in Danville. For information, e-mail Coach2Excel@aol.com.

Diablo Valley Quilters' Guild The Diablo Valley Quilters' Guild meets at

7 p.m., the third Wednesday of each month at the Danville Congregational Church, 989 San Ramon Valley Blvd. Guests are welcome (\$2 donation). Annual membership fee is \$30 (\$20 for seniors 65+). For information, call Dianne at 837-1863.

Diablo Valley Single Parents This group meets at 6:30 p.m., on various days each month, and at different locations in the valley. Visit www.yahoo.com/groups/dv_sp.

Diablo View Toastmasters This chapter meets from 7:55-9 a.m., every Tuesday, at the San Ramon Community Center, 12501 Alcosta Blvd. Novice and veteran speakers meet to develop speaking skills. Guests are welcome. Call (415) 606-6934.

eWomen Network Accelerated Networking Luncheon The eWomen Network holds its monthly accelerated networking luncheon from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., the second Thursday of each month, at the Crow Canyon Country Club, 711 Silver Lake Dr., Danville. Contact Claire at 648-3105 or clairesheperdson@ewomennetwork.com.

Exchange Club of San Ramon Valley This club meets at noon, monthly on the second Wednesday, at Faz Restaurant, 600 Hartz Ave., Danville. The program features guest speakers and business networking. Guests are welcome with reservations. Call 275-2412 or visit www.srvexchangeclub.org.

Friends of the Danville Library Friends of the Danville Library are renewing annual memberships and recruiting new members to help support, raise funds and sponsor programs for the Danville library. There are many benefits of being a Friend including merchant discounts, volunteer opportunities and preview of book sales. Dues and donations are tax deductible. Application forms are at the library, 400 Front St. Call 837-4455.

Homeowner/Homebuyer Book Club The Homeowner/Homebuyer Book Club is a place to learn, share and discuss. It meets at 6 p.m. the first Monday of each month, at 3223 Crow Canyon Rd., second floor Conference room, San Ramon. Call 397-2093.

Kiwanis San Ramon Valley The San Ramon Valley Kiwanis meets from noon-1:30 p.m. every Thursday, at Round Hill Country Club, 3169 Roundhill Road, Alamo. Meeting includes a guest speaker and lunch. For information, visit its Web site at www.kiwanis-srv.org.

Leads Group for B2B Business Developers This group meets from 7:45-10 a.m., every third Thursday at Mimi's Cafe, 4775 Hacienda Drive, Dublin. The cost for members is free, \$40 for non-members. Call 201-3410.

Model RC Boaters Association The Danville Model RC Boaters Association seeks new members. To learn more, call president Rich Mahan at 785-0421.

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

Mt. Diablo Macintosh Users Group Get questions answered, solutions for problems, share experiences and explore new Mac developments. Club meets at 7:30 p.m., the third Monday of every month, at the Alamo Safeway Community Room. For information, call 837-1111 or 829-5501.

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

WEEKEND PREVIEW



'Lord, what fools these mortals be'

Enjoy Free Shakespeare in the Park's production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream," beginning at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow night, Saturday, June 30, at Amador Valley Community Park, corner of Black Avenue and Santa Rita Road in Pleasanton.

of every month at the Pleasanton Masonic Center, 3370 Hopyard Road. For information, contact Ken Varallo at 455-8586 or raptors2@comcast.net.

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

San Ramon Valley Genealogical Society The society meets at 10 a.m., every third Tuesday of the month, except August and December, at the LDS Church, 2449 Stone Valley Road. Guest speaker at every meeting. All welcome. For information, call Ed at 299-0881.

San Ramon Valley Newcomers Luncheon This club invites new and established residents of San Ramon, Dublin and Pleasanton to a luncheon at noon, Thursday, July 19, at Crow Canyon Country Club, Danville. Cost is \$25-30. Call 361-6121 or visit www.srvnc.com.

San Ramon Valley Rotary Club This club meets for dinner at 7 p.m., every Wednesday, at the Crow Canyon Country Club, 711 Silver Lake Drive, Danville. Guests are welcome. The club offers a great way to make new friends while making a difference in

your community. Call Bill at 838-9110.

Tri-Valley Writers Association This club exists to inform, educate, and have fun and is open to anyone interested in the craft of writing. The club meets at 11:30 a.m. the first Saturday of every month at Girasole Restaurant, 3180 Santa Rita Rd, Pleasanton. Contact Steve Workman at 485-1011 or skworkman@aol.com.

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 75 The organization meets every second Thursday of the month at Danville Veteran's Hall, 400 Hartz Ave., Danville. For information, call Post Commander Mac McCuskey at 837-2740 or visit www.vfw.org.

Concerts

Concert in the Hills Series Come and enjoy a free concert at the Cal State East Bay campus on Ygnacio Valley Rd. in Concord during the Concert in the Hills Series with the opening act at 7 p.m. and the main act at 8 p.m. Saturdays, June-September. Aja Vu on July 14, Joni Morris on Aug. 11 and Native Elements on Sept. 8. Bring a picnic and short lawnchairs or blankets. No dogs or glass. Call 602-8654 or visit www.concertinthehills.com.

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Create New Works at Danville Estate of Playwright O'Neill

Bay Area artists are invited to create new works 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Oct. 3-6, at the Tao House. Cost is \$5 per day. Reservations are required, call Bill Carmel at 820-1818 or visit www.eugeneoneill.org.

Farmers Market The Danville Farmers Market is open from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., every Saturday and from 4-8 p.m., Thursdays, until mid August, at the Railroad Avenue Municipal Parking Lot, at the corner of Railroad and Prospect Avenues. Call 825-9090 or visit www.pcfma.com.

Ninth Annual Docent's Favorite Ride

Blackhawk Museum will host the ninth annual Docent's Favorite Ride from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, July 28, at the Blackhawk Museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville. Call 736-2280.

Second Annual Summer Benefit

Pyrenees Pets will host their second annual Summer Benefit from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 4, at Pyrenees Pets, 3440 Camino Tassajara, Danville. Help raise money for abandoned and homeless animals and enjoy lots of food, music and activities. Proceeds benefit ARF. Call 648-7387.

Walking Tours of Historic Danville

Museum of the San Ramon Valley hosts walking tours of historic downtown Danville at 6:15 p.m., every third Friday through October with Karen Stepper and at 10 a.m., every second Saturday, through October with a museum docent, meeting in the front of the Museum of the San Ramon Valley, 205 Railroad Ave., Danville. Call 837-3750.

Exhibits

Paved Paradise Bedford Gallery has received a grant for a Contra Costa Youth Exhibition entitled "Paved Paradise" which will run until July 22. Call 295-1417 or visit www.bedford-gallery.com.

Solo Exhibition of Stephen Sanfilippo

View Stephen Sanfilippo's landscape oil paintings from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., until Aug. 22, at Thos. Moser Gallery Showroom, 3395 Sacramento St., San Francisco. You can meet this Alamo resident from 1-4 p.m., Saturday, July 14, at the opening reception. Call (415) 931-8131.

Fundraisers

Aircraft Carrier USS Hornet Museum

The USS Hornet Museum will host a golf tournament, dinner and auction from 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday, July 30, at Claremont Country Club, 5295 Broadway Terrace, Oakland. Cost is \$185 per player. Proceeds will benefit the museum's community service activities. Sponsorships welcome. Call 285-2414.

Aloha Golf Classic

Danville Area Chamber of Commerce will host their annual golf tournament from 10:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Monday, July 16, at Blackhawk Country Club, 599 Blackhawk Club Dr., Danville. Cost is \$195 per golfer, \$1,000 for 4-some or \$50 for dinner/auction only. Call 837-4400 or visit www.danvillechamber.com.

Broadway Revue Acc'sentials and Coldwell Banker will host Broadway Revue from 8-10 p.m., Saturday, July 14, at Acc'sentials' garden courtyard, 520 Main St., Pleasanton. Cost is \$25. Proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity East Bay. Call 931-9130.

Health

Chi Kung Class The Wellness Community will host a Chi Kung class for cancer patients and their caregivers from 9:30-10:45 a.m., Tuesdays, until Aug. 8, at The Wellness Community,

3276 McNutt Ave., Walnut Creek. Comfortable clothing and socks are a must. Call 933-0107.

Free Summer Immunization Clinics

Axis Community Health will offer free immunization clinics for children from 9-11:30 a.m., Saturdays, July 7, Aug. 4 and Sept. 8, at Axis Pleasanton Clinic, 4361 Railroad Ave., Pleasanton. Clinics open to Tri-Valley families who are low income, uninsured or on Medi-Cal and Medi-Cal Managed Care. Parents should bring child's immunization records, and income and insurance information. Call 462-1755.

Knee Replacement Surgery for Women

San Ramon Regional Medical Center will host a seminar on Knee Replacement Surgery for Women from 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 25, at the San Ramon Regional Medical's South Conference Room, South Building, 7777 Norris Canyon Rd., San Ramon. The event is free, but reservations are required by calling (800) 284-2878.

Managing Symptoms and Side Effects

Learn what you can do to feel better during cancer treatment from 10 a.m.-noon, Saturday, July 21, at the Wellness Community, 3276 McNutt Ave., Walnut Creek. This event is free for cancer patients and their caregivers and family. Call 933-0107.

Open Gym

Town of Danville is offering Adult Open Gym from 7:30-9:15 a.m., Saturdays, and High School Open Gym, 6-8 p.m., Sundays, both at Los Cerritos Middle School Community Gym, 968 Blemer Rd., Danville. Discounted pass cards are

\$4 for residents, \$5 for non-residents. Call 314-3386.

Post Treatment Breast Cancer Program

This 10-week workshop is for women who are at least 3 weeks past treatment for breast cancer and it runs until July 18, at the Wellness Community, 3276 McNutt Ave., Walnut Creek. Designed to aid in recovery from both the physical and emotional effects of cancer more fully and quickly. Call 933-0107.

Kids & Teens

'Kabaret for Kids' Cabaret Star, Samantha Samuels, will host a fun-filled variety show with singing, dancing and audience participation featuring Sophia Oda from 2:30-3:30 p.m., Saturday, June 30, at Leshner Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek. Tickets are \$12. Call 943-7469.

Construction: Tractors and Trailers

Blackhawk Museum hosts "Construction: Tractors and Trailers" from 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 19, at the Blackhawk Museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville. This funshop is for children ages three and 10 years old. This event is free with museum admission. Call 736-2277.

Free Online Tutoring Available

Contra Costa County Library is offering free homework help from expert online tutors to students grade 4-12 and beginning college from 1-10 p.m., Monday-Friday, at <http://ccclib.org>

On The Go! Blackhawk Museum will host "On The Go!" from 1-4 p.m., Sunday, July 29, at the Blackhawk Museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville. The funshop is for children between the ages of three and 10 years old. This event is free with museum admission. Call 736-2277.

Willows SummerStage Theatre Camp

The Willows Theatre Conservatory has opening for their SummerStage Theatre Camp. The camp will have three different camps: SummerStage Junior for grades 3-6 (July 9-Aug 4) and SummerStage Mini for grades K-2 (June 25-July 29). For information, call 798-1824 or visit www.willowstheatre.org.

YMCA Activities The San Ramon Valley YMCA hosts a number of activities including Adventure Guides/Princesses, Adventure Trailblazers, Youth Basketball, Youth Lacrosse and Youth Soccer for children of all ages. For information, call 831-1100 or visit www.mdrymca.org.

Lectures/ Workshops

African Drumming Drumming has been shown to boost immune system functions and metabolism. Experience this fun way to get "good vibrations" from 4:30-5:30 p.m., Thursday, July 26, at the Wellness Community 3276 McNutt Ave., Walnut Creek. No rhythmic or musical ability is required. Call 933-0107.

Complementary Medicine and Cancer

Learn natural remedies that are safe and effective to use during and after cancer treatment from 6-8 p.m., Tuesday, July 10, at the Wellness Community, 3276 McNutt Ave., Walnut Creek. This workshop will cover diet, nutritional supplements, exercise and herbal medicines. This event is free to cancer patients and their caregivers and families. Call 933-0107.

Entering the Entrepreneurial World

Learn about "Entering the Entrepreneurial World" from 8:30 a.m.-noon, Wednesday, July 18, at CarrAmerica Center, 4400 Rosewood Dr., Pleasanton. This event is free. Call 960-1600.

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Laughter Playshop Laughter has numerous health benefits, especially for the immune system. Share the benefits of laughter and participate in simple improvisation exercises to make you laugh from 10 a.m.-noon, Saturday, July 21, at Valley Care Health Library, 5725 W. Las Positas Blvd., Suites 240, Pleasanton. This event is free for cancer patients their families and friends. Call 933-0107.

Newly Diagnosed Breast Cancer Workshop This 16-week group is for women who have just been diagnosed and are either in treatment or starting treatment from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Wednesdays, July 11-Oct. 24, at the Wellness Community, 3276 McNutt Ave., Walnut Creek. This event is free. Call 933-0107.

Wealth Classes Extravaganza Day Get free wealth education on Wealth Classes Extravaganza Day from 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, July 7, at San Ramon Marriott, 2600 Bishop Dr. This event is free. Classes limited to 90 people, so register early; call 855-3205 or visit www.wealthclasses.com.

Miscellaneous

Adopt a New Best Friend Tri-Valley Animal Rescue (TVAR) offers wonderful animals for adoption every Saturday and Sunday, excluding most holidays. On Saturdays, from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., dogs and cats are available. For dates and times and other information, call TVAR at 803-7043 or visit its Web site at www.tvvar.org.

Climb for Breast Cancer Prevention The Breast Cancer Fund is looking for applicants for "Climb for Breast Cancer Prevention" from July 8-14, at Mt. Shasta. Call 760-8223 or visit www.breastcancerfund.org/events.

Free Computer Instruction The Danville Library is offering free computer instruction on Word, Excel, Powerpoint or the Internet by appointment only. To make an appointment, visit the Danville Library Information Desk or call 837-4889

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.

Recycle for Breast Cancer Recycle for Breast Cancer is open seven days a week accepting free dropoffs for computers, monitors, cell phones, laptops, servers and TVs. Located inside Saf Keep Storage, 200 Purdue Rd., #1018, San Ramon. Call 735-7203 or visit www.recycleforbreastcancer.org.

San Ramon Valley High School 40th Reunion Attention Classes of 1967, 1968 and 1969! San Ramon Valley High School will hold a 40th High School Reunion on Saturday, Aug. 11. For information, Carol Stewart-Pierovich at 820-4628, Mike Miles at 938-0806 or Stephanie Brown-Myers at 837-0539.

The Energy Primer for Kids The Energy Primer for Kids is a 25-page booklet of simple facts pertaining to current energy issues and is useful for adults that are evaluating energy related claims of politicians. For a free copy, write to Synergy Institute, P.O. Box 561, San Ramon, CA 94583. A speaker is available for groups wishing to hear about the global warming propaganda. Call 837-7612.

On Stage

Free Shakespeare in the Park City of Pleasanton will host Free Shakespeare in the Park at 7:30 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, June 30-July 1, Friday-Sunday, July 6-8, at Amador Valley Community Park, at the corner of Black Avenue and Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton. Call 931-5340.

Seniors

580/680 Senior Games Town of Danville along with the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District and the cities of Dublin, Pleasanton and San Ramon will host the 580/680 Senior Games from Sept. 21-23. Activities will include basketball, bowling, dance sport, swimming and tennis. Call 937-3255 or visit www.ci.danville.ca.us.

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

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 The Health Insurance Counseling Advocacy Program (HICAP) offers its services free to anyone on Medicare or at least 60 years old with questions about health insurance coverage. Appointments are available the second Wednesday and the fourth Tuesday of every month by appointment; call 314-3400.

Laugh Club Research has shown increased levels of endorphins, neurotransmitters, immune system cells, and decreased levels of stress hormones. This club meets at 10:30 a.m., every Tuesday, at San Ramon Senior Center, 9300 Alcosta Blvd. Cost is \$1 facility use fee and is open to the public. Call Fred Turner at 216-4590.

Prime Time Join this club for a nondenominational gathering of "seasoned citizens" from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuesdays, at the Community Presbyterian Church, 222 W. El Pintado, Danville. A home-cooked lunch is served at noon for \$3. Call Ruth Ann at 820-6387.

Senior Sneaker Trips Town of Danville will host Senior Sneaker Trips to different attractions throughout the area. For a list of dates, go to the Danville Community Center at 420 Front St., call 314-3400 or visit www.ci.danville.ca.us.

St. Isidore's 'Young at Heart' Join this group for a meeting from 11:15 a.m.-2 p.m., the third Tuesday of every month at St. Isidore's Ministries Center, 440 La Gonda Way, Danville. Optional Mass starts at 11:15 a.m.; lunch starts at 11:45 a.m.; bring brown bag lunch from June-August, beverage, fruit and dessert are provided. Nonprofit bingo follows. This event is free, but reservations are appreciated by calling 820-4447.



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Sports

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

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

Danville Tennis Club The Danville Tennis Club meets 6:30-9 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; and 9-11 a.m., Saturdays for drop-in tennis at San Ramon Valley High School. This free co-ed club provides play for 4.0 to 5.0 and very strong 3.5 level players. See information at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/danvilletennisclub>.

East Bay Colt.45s Fall Try Outs EastBay Colt.45s will host tryouts for the competitive fall travel teams, ages 13U and 14U (age as of 4/30/08) from 5-8 p.m., Monday-Tuesday, July 9-10, at Osage Park, Ball Diamond 2, Danville. Cost is \$25, download registration forms at www.eastbaycolt45s.com. Call (510) 551-6866.

Learn Tennis, Get Free Racquet Learn to play tennis in six hours and receive a free Dunlop Tennis Racquet. Sponsored by the United States Tennis Association, new classes start the first Monday of each month, from 6:30-8 p.m., at San Ramon Valley High School. The cost of six hours of group lessons is \$100 per player. Lessons taught by former world ranked tennis professional/30-year coach. To register, call Brett, USPTA P-1 at 683-2460.

San Ramon Valley Tennis Club This women's league is year round for both A and B players meeting for practice weekday mornings. Membership is \$30 annually. For information, call Patty at 820-8131 or Laurie at 820-0695.

SRV Youth Football Camp A comprehensive non-contact football skills camp for ages 7-13 will be held from 5:45-8 p.m., Monday-Friday, July 23-27, at San Ramon Valley High School, 140 Love Lane, Danville. Cost is \$150. Contact Lee Becker by calling 640-8941 or e-mail svfb-camp@aol.com.

Walnut Creek Tennis Club WCTC is a free, co-ed tennis group for single adults of all ages and levels (primarily 2.5-3.5). It plays drop-in tennis from 9 a.m.-noon, Saturdays and Sundays at Las Lomas High School in Walnut Creek (S. Main). See information at <http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/wctc/>.

Support Groups

Alamo Women's CODA Meeting Co-Dependents Anonymous (CODA) is a fellowship of men and women whose common purpose is to develop healthy relationships. The group meets from 1-2 p.m., Mondays, at United Methodist Church, 902 Danville Blvd., Alamo. Visit www.sfbaycoda.org or www.coda.org.

American Chronic Pain Association The ACPA group meets from 11a.m.-1p.m. every second and fourth Monday at the Community Presbyterian Church Library at 222 W. El Pintado Rd., Danville.

Bipolar Support Group The Tri-Valley Support Group provides free peer support for people with mood disorders. It meets from 7:15-8:45 p.m., every Wednesday at St. Clare's Episcopal Church, 3350 Hopyard Road, Pleasanton. Call 560-0842

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

Cancer Support Groups Free support, education and stress management for cancer patients and their loved ones, including general support groups for all types of cancer patients as well as cancer specific

groups for breast cancer, colorectal cancer, ovarian cancer, lung cancer, prostate cancer, brain tumor, support groups for caregivers and life after cancer. Groups meet at the Wellness Community, 3276 McNutt Ave., Walnut Creek. For times and days, call 933-0107.

ClutterLess Self Help Is clutter stressing you out? Cluttering is a psychological issue, not just an organizing issue and you are not alone. This group meets from 7-8:30 p.m., every Monday (except holidays), at Pleasanton Presbyterian Church, Room 7, 4300 Mirador Dr. Donations of \$2-5 are graciously accepted. Call 297-9246 or visit www.clutterless.org.

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

Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous Are you having trouble controlling the way you eat? There is a solution to weight and diet obsession. This effective 12-step program has proven results. There are no dues, fees or weigh-ins. This group meets from 7-8:30 p.m., every Wednesday, at Grace Presbyterian Church, 2100 Tice Valley Blvd., Walnut Creek. For a complete listing of East Bay meetings, call 600-6028 or visit www.foodaddicts.org.

Hospice Offers Support Hospice and Palliative Care of Contra Costa offers a variety of support groups and workshops for people experiencing grief and loss after the death of a loved one. Individual grief counseling for Hospice families is also available. Groups are offered from 7-9 p.m., Friday evenings at the San Ramon Valley United Methodist Church in Alamo. All groups and workshops are offered without fee and require pre-registration. For a schedule of groups in the Pleasant Hill area, for additional information and/or to register, call 887-5678.

Man to Man Prostate Cancer San Ramon Regional Medical Center offers "Man to Man Prostate Cancer Support Group" from 7:30-9 p.m., the second Tuesday of every month, at San Ramon Regional Medical Center, South Building, West Day Room, 7777 Norris Canyon Road. Call 933-0107.

Newly Formed Proactive Group for Women A newly formed proactive group for women who have Fibromyalgia, CFS, CFIDS and chronic pain are inviting others to share in the latest research, medicines, doctors and many other ways to cope. The group meets from 12:30-2:30 p.m., every other Tuesday. For fundraising, this group hosts designer inspired Purse Parties; hostess gets free purse of her choice. For information, email heidianen@hotmail.com.

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

PFLAG The Danville/San Ramon Valley Chapter of Parents Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) is a support group that meets at 7:30 p.m., every third Monday at the Danville Congregational Church, 989 San Ramon Valley Blvd. Call 838-8632.

SRV Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous (FA) is a free 12-step recovery program for anyone suffering from food obsession, overeating, undereating and bulimia. This group meets from 7-8:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the San Ramon Library, 100 Montgomery St. Call Gordon at 899-3117 or visit www.foodaddicts.org.

Tri-Valley Parkinson's Support Group This group provides peer support for those affected by Parkinson's Disease and for their caregivers, families and friends. The group meets from 10 a.m.-noon, the

second Saturday of each month, at the Pleasanton Senior Center, 5353 Sunol Blvd. Call Norman at 831-9940 or Jackie at 244-1231.

Volunteering

Animal Fosters Urgently Needed Animal Rescue Foundation (ARF) is looking for short-term fosters for dogs, puppies, cats and kittens. ARF will provide the food, supplies and vet care; all you need to do is provide the love. Call 296-3173 or visit www.arf.net.

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

Bedford Gallery Guild The Bedford Gallery Guild is looking for volunteers to donate time at the art gallery in the Dean Leshner Regional Center for the Arts. No prior art knowledge required. Contact Susan Helms at 837-0716 or sjhelms1@prodigy.net

Blackhawk Museum Docent Training If you are interested in becoming a much appreciated part of the Blackhawk Museum family while contributing to your community, making new friends, learning new things, and having fun, become a docent! Call 736-2280, ext. 238.

CCI Volunteer Puppy Raising Program Canine Companions for Independence (CCI) are looking for special volunteers interested in raising a CCI puppy for 15-18 months and are now accepting applications. For information, call 1-800-572-BARK (2275) or visit www.cci.org.

Child Abuse Prevention Council The Contra Costa County Child Abuse Prevention Council needs volunteer speakers for the community education program. Volunteers must complete a mandatory 24-hour speaker's training course. For information, call 946-9961.

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

Friends of Discovery Discovery Counseling Center has received more than \$5 million, thanks to Friends of Discovery. The organization is looking for volunteers who can commit eight hours per month in the Thrift Station, 486 San Ramon Valley Blvd., Danville. Call Le Anne, 837-7998.

Help Your Senior Neighbors A lot of Danville seniors need rides to their appointments, stores or to special events. The Seniors' Club at Veterans Memorial Hall is looking for volunteers to provide rides on an "as-needed basis" on one or more Mondays a month. Call Jenn Overmoe at 314-3476 for more information.

Hospice and Palliative Care of Contra Costa This organization is looking for volunteers to help serve in East Contra Costa County. Positions open are: men and women to provide companionship and practical support for terminally ill patients and families, licensed hair stylists and certified massage therapists. Call 887-5678 or e-mail volunteers@hospicecc.org.

Hospice and Palliative Work at Bruns House Hospice and Palliative Care of Contra Costa Bruns House In-Patient Hospice is looking for volunteers to fill two- to four-hour shifts during the weekdays and weekends. For an application, call 887-5678 or e-mail volunteers@hospicecc.org.

Junior League Wine and Cheese Event Junior League of Oakland-East Bay, Inc. are looking for volunteers to help at the Wine and Cheese Event

at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 24, in Danville. Call 284-3740 or visit www.jloeb.org.

Lindsay Wildlife Museum Docents are needed to lead class tours, teaching children and others about our important connection with wildlife and the world we share. No experience needed. Call 627-2444 or visit www.wildlife-museum.org.

Make a Difference Reutlinger Community for Jewish Living (RCJL) in Danville provides assisted living, Alzheimer's and skilled nursing care in a community our residents call home. Volunteers play a key role at RCJL and opportunities are available for students and adults. For information, call Volunteer Coordinator Irma at 964-2098.

Museum of the San Ramon Valley The Museum of the San Ramon Valley welcomes volunteers and has a current need for greeters who give three hours one day a month to welcome visitors to the museum, register their attendance, and give them an introductory tour of the Waiting Room and the Museum Store. Call Carmen Curtis at 837-9781 or the museum at 837-3750.

Rides for Seniors in Lafayette Rides for Seniors, based in Lafayette, is looking for volunteers (25 years and older) to allow seniors "to age in place" in their homes and be safe when transported to a doctor appointment or grocery shopping. If you are available for a couple of hours periodically, call 284-6699. Fingerprinting and DMV background check required.

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

Sheriff Seeks Senior Volunteers The Sheriff's Valley Station Office in Alamo is seeking people interested in assisting law enforcement in the community. Citizens should have a clean criminal history and would be responsible for one shift a week for four-and-a-half hours. Interested applicants should call James Hogan or Elmer Glasser at 837-2902.

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

Tri-Valley Animal Rescue Do you love animals? Become a volunteer or a Foster with Tri-Valley Animal Rescue. Orientations are held from 1-2:30 p.m., the second Saturday and fourth Sunday of each month, at East County Animal Shelter, 4595 Gleason Dr., Dublin. Registration is not required to attend the orientation; cost is a \$10 optional donation. Call 803-7043 or visit www.tv-ar.org.

Valley Children's Museum Needs Volunteers If you are interested in working with kids, Valley Children's Museum is looking for you! For information about volunteer opportunities, call 461-6574, 3 # or e-mail Linda@valleychildrensmuseum.org.

Volunteer Interpreters The California Medical Association seeks community volunteer interpreters for Contra Costa County to assist physicians when other interpretation resources are not an option. If you possess a proficiency in any foreign language and experience interpreting in a health care setting, you are encouraged to apply. Contact CMA at (866) 241-4262, or e-mail communityvip@cmanet.org.

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SALES AT A GLANCE

This week's data represents homes sold during May 2007

| Alamo | Danville | Diablo | Walnut Creek |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Total sales reported: 4 | Total sales reported: 33 | Total sales reported: 2 | Total sales reported: 25 |
| Lowest sale reported: \$1,070,000 | Lowest sale reported: \$370,000 | Lowest sale reported: \$2,400,000 | Lowest sale reported: \$360,000 |
| Highest sale reported: \$1,845,000 | Highest sale reported: \$2,095,000 | Highest sale reported: \$3,575,000 | Highest sale reported: \$1,150,000 |
| Average sales reported: \$1,400,625 | Average sales reported: \$1,046,591 | Average sales reported: \$2,987,500 | Average sales reported: \$720,000 |

HOME SALES

Source: California REsource

- Alamo**
- 914 Ina Drive** S. & A. Kraft to M. & S. King for \$1,287,500
 - 281 La Serena Avenue** J. Hargrove to L. & N. Liniger for \$1,400,000
 - 26 Sandra Court** Taylor Trust to C. Money for \$1,070,000
 - 250 St. Paul Drive** M. & S. King to W. & M. Lennett for \$1,845,000
- Danville**
- 654 Adobe Drive** P. Carpio to H. & J. Torres for \$938,000
 - 1260 Ariel Drive** Shapell Homes to Malik Trust for \$1,150,000
 - 132 Blackhawk Club Court** K. Cornwell to Wong Trust for \$2,095,000
 - 116 Blackstone Drive** J. & K. Martins to N. & Z. Caruthers for \$965,000
 - 138 Burgess Court** Torre Trust to D. & K. Wisser for \$980,000
 - 145 Burgess Court** J. & A. Schroeder to J. & K. Martins for \$1,075,000
 - 60 Calistoga Court** B. & E. Page to G. & G. Haughton for \$920,000
 - 504 Cambrian Way** Wells Fargo Bank to J. & L. Richmond for \$669,000
 - 571 Cambrian Way** Toone Trust to C. Leshar for \$875,000
 - 3457 Cashmere Street** Shapell Industries to V. Malba for \$1,101,500
 - 3473 Cashmere Street** Shapell Industries to L. & L. Tong for \$1,133,000
 - 437 Coventry Place** M. & G. Reiboldt to P. & M. Hohn for \$1,110,000
 - 27 Danville Oak Place** Miles Trust to R. & J. Kazerounian for \$539,000
 - 606 El Pintado Road** Naviaux Trust to S. & K. Pope for \$1,474,000
 - 144 Garden Creek Place** D. Allen to J. Lark for \$533,000
 - 708 Garden Creek Place** J. Walker to M. Keathly for \$370,000
 - 403 Laurel Drive** Ash Trust to M. & K. Heidenreich for \$1,175,000
- Diablo**
- 806 Luz Court** K. Stuckey-Phillips to R. & D. Correa for \$823,500
 - 820 Maldon Court** Lennar Homes to M. Lee for \$1,243,500
 - 828 Maldon Court** Lennar Homes to T. Guo for \$1,103,500
 - 10 Margaret Lane** BH Investors to B. & Y. Rhim for \$1,540,000
 - 3137 Martingale Drive** Ponderosa Homes to O. & A. Khan for \$1,380,500
 - 1471 Menton Street** Lennar Homes to S. Kapoor for \$1,066,000
 - 1477 Menton Street** Lennar Homes to H. Kim for \$1,020,000
 - 1847 Mockingbird Place** J. Fennessy to D. & C. Jin for \$724,000
 - 28 Montecito Drive** J. & P. Burke to D. & A. Perdue for \$1,276,000
 - 742 Pelican Court** M. & S. Rabith to S. & N. Tinloy for \$588,000
 - 404 Plata Court** M. & S. Mulligan to T. & M. Schmidt for \$1,330,000
 - 226 Promenade Lane** Peters Trust to K. Bartlett for \$770,000
 - 1257 Silverwood Court** S. & L. Oconnor to H. Brantner for \$775,000
 - 606 Stevens Court** M. & J. Olson to A. & J. McCay for \$1,675,000
 - 1990 West Rancho Verde Circle** Difiori Trust to V. & P. Pugliese for \$875,000
 - 4116 Whispering Oaks Lane** M. & M. Perdomo to D. & C. Hornbuckle for \$1,245,000
- Walnut Creek**
- 1528 Avenida Nueva** B. Vial to K. Walker for \$2,400,000
 - 1671 El Nido** K. & J. Blaise to D. Serpa for \$3,575,000
 - 1292 Alfred Avenue** J. Yoon to G. Campbell for \$859,000
 - 1800 Alma Avenue #104** Davies Trust to L. Kaplan for \$849,000
 - 1315 Alma Avenue #111** Alpine of Alma Development to Mimico Enterprises for \$563,500
 - 1315 Alma Avenue #112** Alpine of Alma Development to Mimico Enterprises for \$388,500
 - 1315 Alma Avenue #114** Alpine of Alma Development to J. Alvarez for \$406,000
 - 1465 Cortez Court** Harrison Trust to D. Shaw for \$890,000
 - 3030 Diablo Shadow Drive** Sirva Relocation to M. Xu for \$975,000
 - 2085 Essenay Avenue** R. & D. Millan to R. & R. Siegel for \$880,000
 - 1508 Gilboa Drive** B. Ward to M. Pawley-Hambrick for \$650,000
 - 173 Hilltop Crescent** J. & M. King to S. & D. Kobsar for \$1,015,000
 - 1713 Holland Circle** C. Dodds to B. Titcomb for \$460,000
 - 48 Iron Horse Lane** D. & J. Brady to L. Shey for \$565,000
 - 1221 Lindell Drive** K. Mccune to M. & A. Wright for \$795,000
 - 640 Persimmon Road** Tonda Trust to V. Calvo-Garcia for \$890,000
 - 766 Rosewood Drive** Stacy Trust to L. & A. Norris for \$1,150,000
 - 3276 Rossmoor Parkway #1** Ringen Trust to Rothway Trust for \$671,000
 - 2728 San Antonio Drive** R. Glasgow to L. Masat for \$735,000
 - 243 Sequoia Avenue** N. Alsop to Simmons Trust for \$360,000
 - 1075 Sheppard Road** A. Smith to D. & I. Boeriu for \$770,000
 - 1592 Springbrook Road** Baird Trust to Musalo Trust for \$769,000
 - 1550 Stanley Dollar Drive #4B** Neetz Trust to J. & P. Burke for \$540,000
 - 1840 Tice Creek Drive #2447** M. Mintz to Saunders Trust for \$370,000
 - 668 Via Appia** C. & P. Brown to Friedman Trust for \$595,000
 - 429 Walnut Avenue** M. Mokhtarani to S. Zhong for \$775,000
 - 3509 Whitehaven Drive** R. & S. Sichenzio to J. Kassaian for \$1,079,000

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1808 Piedras Cir. \$1,790,000
Sun 1-4 Re/Max Accord 362-1628

5 Bedrooms

10 Ray Ct. \$1,198,500
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30 Camille Pl. \$2,099,000
Sun 1:30-4:30 Sterling Real Estate 212-3691

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3670 Silver Oak Pl. \$797,000
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