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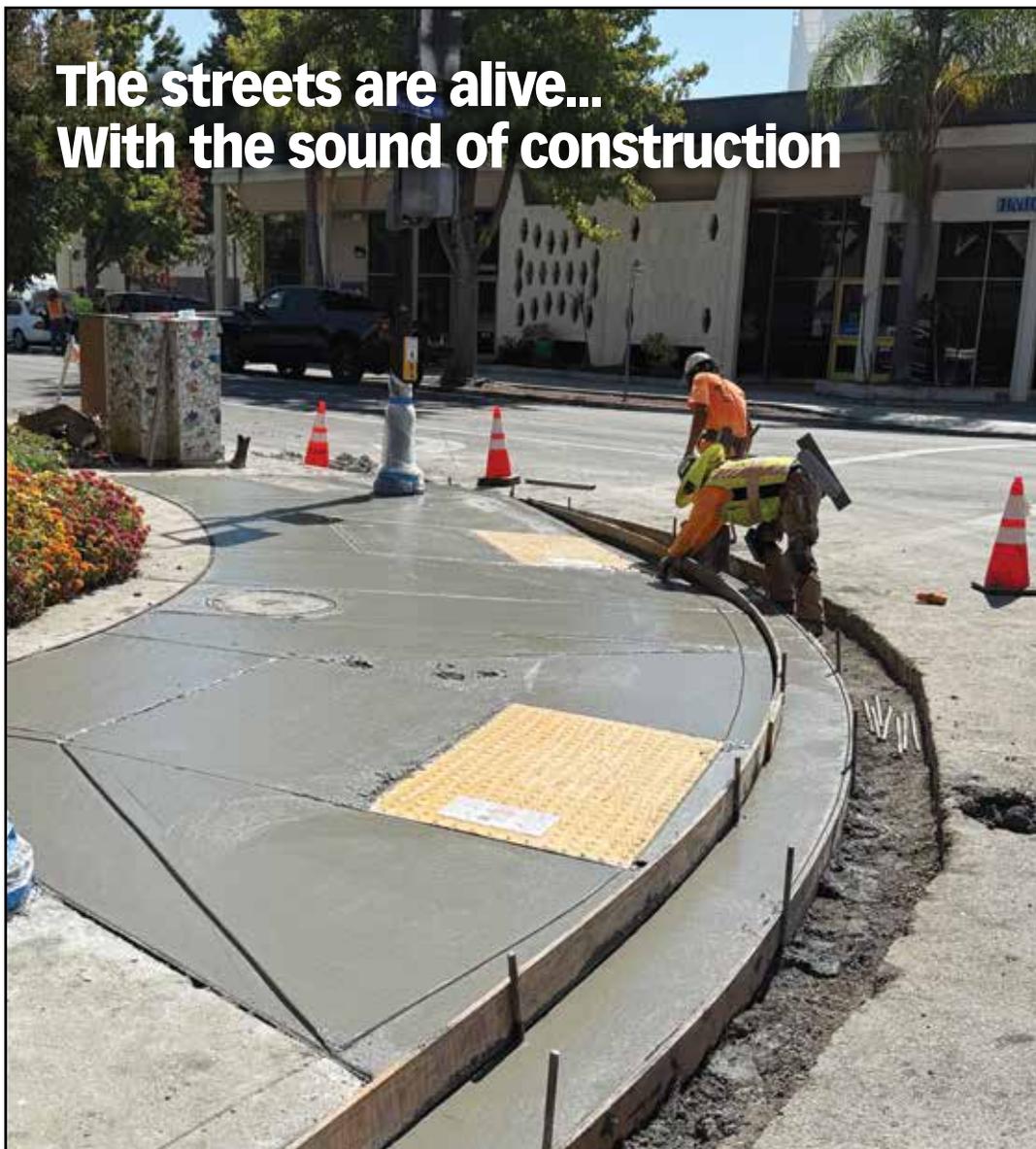
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**The streets are alive...
With the sound of construction**

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Since Sept. 22, downtown Mountain View has abounded with the sound of city infrastructure improvement as crews bring parts of Castro to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. Crews are focused on non-compliant median pathways and curb ramps along Castro Street from Fairmont Avenue to California Street. The work includes some vehicle detours and requires some sidewalk closures resulting in pedestrian detours. Despite the construction, which is estimated to take five to six weeks, businesses in the affected areas are expected to remain open. The construction is part of the city's various street projects funded by the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB 1). In addition to the ADA improvements, which will make it easier for people using wheelchairs, bicycles or pushing strollers, to navigate downtown, crosswalks will also be upgraded to improve visibility along heavily used portions of Castro Street.

Housing lawsuit filed against Los Altos Hills



TOWN CRIER FILE PHOTO

One of the first renderings shows developer Forrest Linebarger's proposal for 10728 Mora Drive in Los Altos Hills, a 21-foot-wide, 2,483-square-foot home with a 1,477-square-foot basement. The newest iteration was recently denied by the town of Los Altos Hills.

By Curtis Driscoll
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Long-running attempts to develop 10728 and 10758 Mora Drive have taken another turn after a nonprofit housing organization recently filed a lawsuit against Los Altos Hills, alleging the town unlawfully denied approval to develop the site.

The Sept. 15 lawsuit filed in Santa Clara County by the California Housing Defense Fund argues that Los Altos Hills abused procedural mechanisms, dragged the housing development project through years of delay, and blocked development attempts permitted under state housing laws.

Forrest Linebarger, the ap-

plicant for the project and a plaintiff in the lawsuit, has sought to build a multi-family housing project for independent seniors called Silver Oaks Senior Housing at the site. The most recent proposal, submitted in May by Linebarger, called for 30 units at 10728 Mora Drive and 32 units at 10758 Mora Drive. For the last two years, Linebarger has been attempting to obtain approval for his senior housing project but was denied in June when the Los Altos Hills City Council voted to disapprove the project on public health and safety grounds. Dylan Casey, executive director of the California Housing Defense

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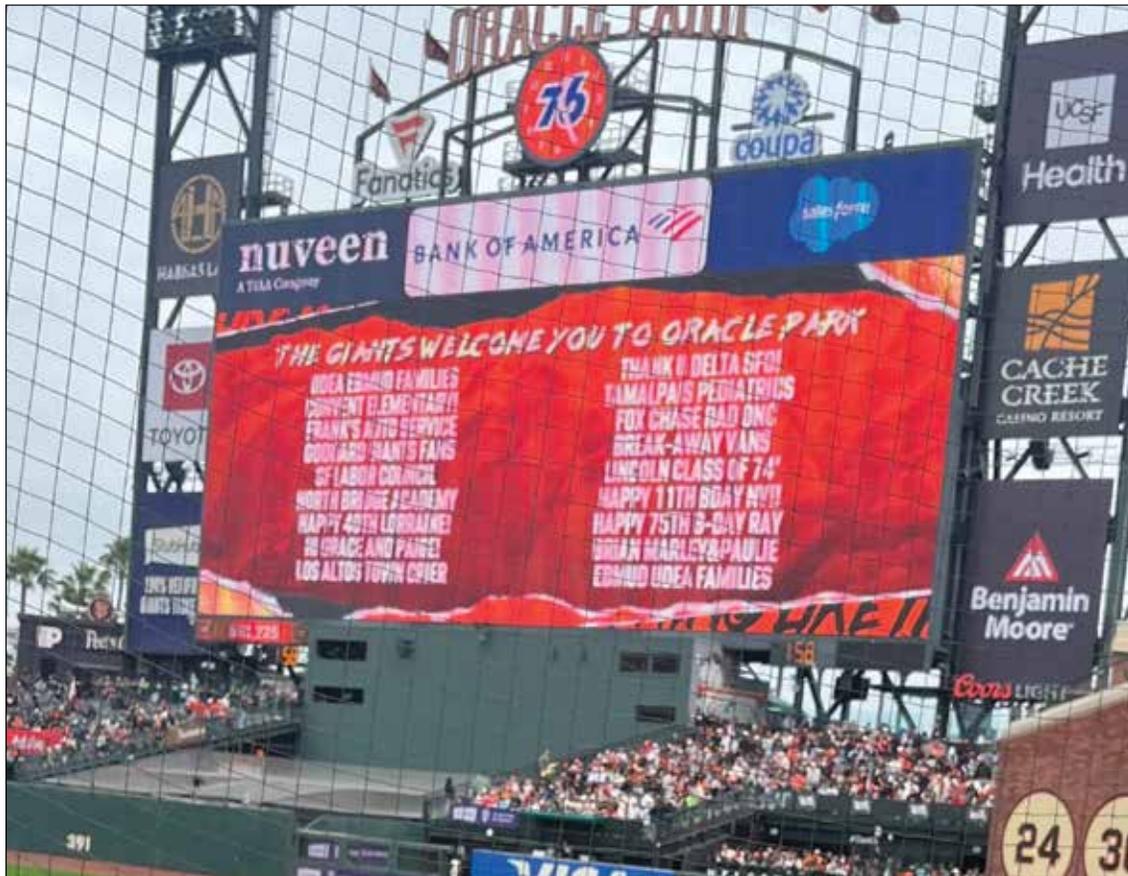
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Around Town

The Town Crier staff takes on baseball



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Sept. 27, 6:44 a.m.: 500 block of West Middlefield Road, Mountain View

Domestic violence

Sept. 24, 5:06 p.m.: 2600 block of North Shoreline Boulevard, Mountain View

Elder abuse

Sept. 26, 4:59 p.m.: 800 block of Fremont Avenue, Los Altos

Financial crime

Sept. 25, 1:23 p.m.: 1700 block of West El Camino Real, Mountain View

Sept. 26, 6:18 p.m.: 1900 block of Latham Street, Mountain View

Sept. 27, 2:31 p.m.: 900 block of Wright Avenue, Mountain View

Grand theft

Sept. 25, 8:12 a.m.: 300 block of Pioneer Way, Mountain View

Sept. 26, 1:47 p.m.: 200 block of Main Street, Los Altos

Identity theft

Sept. 26, 4:32 p.m.: 2100 block of Stanford Avenue, Mountain View

Indecent exposure

Sept. 25, 9:00 a.m.: 800 block of Independence Avenue, Mountain View

Residential burglary

Sept. 25, 4:14 p.m.: 500 block of Bush Street, Mountain View

Sept. 28, 9:23 a.m.: 800 block of Sierra Vista Avenue, Mountain View

Robbery

Sept. 25, 3:35 p.m.: Intersection of Independence Avenue and Leghorn Street, Mountain View

— Christina Casillas

Mountain View gives go-ahead to second Tyrella Avenue housing development



RENDERING FROM DEVELOPER PROPOSAL TO MOUNTAIN VIEW CITY COUNCIL

Above is a rendering of the development set for 266 and 272 Tyrella Ave. in Mountain View. City council gave it the green light to move forward last week.

By Christina Casillas

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Despite complaints about displacements and parking issues from members of the public and Mountain View City Council, council members last week moved the construction of a four-story, 47-unit residential condominium development along Tyrella Avenue to the next phase.

Council members Sept. 23 approved the tentative map and con-

ditional development review permit for the development, located at 266 and 272 Tyrella Ave., in addition to the removal of eight heritage trees from the 1.01-acre site.

The 266 and 272 Tyrella Ave. development will change the landscape of the surrounding area, which primarily consists of one- and two-story condominiums, apartments and homes.

Councilmember John McAlister cast the council's only dissenting vote after voicing concerns regarding the quality of life impact

on those living along and near Tyrella Avenue, especially because there is another development along Tyrella (294 and 296 Tyrella Ave.) in the works just a few blocks away.

"We need to be aware of the impact on our neighbors, no matter where it is," he said just prior to the council vote. McAlister also opposed the 294 and 296 Tyrella Ave. project in April.

Parking

Much of McAlister's frustra-

tion, which was also shared by many members of the community during public comment, was related to parking.

Lan Pham, a Mountain View resident who lives along Tyrella Avenue, opposed the development — she said there are a number of existing apartments in Mountain View that remain unleased, among other concerns, and noted Tyrella Avenue wouldn't be the best place for a

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LAWSUIT

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Fund and the lawyer representing the organization in the lawsuit, said Los Altos Hills' actions made it appear the town is not interested in allowing multi-family and affordable housing.

"The reason we brought this lawsuit was that we believed the denial was unlawful," Casey said.

The lawsuit alleges that Los Altos Hills tried many tactics to prevent the construction of the project, including "ignoring state housing laws that expressly permit low-income housing development projects, regardless of zoning or land use designation, when a city does not have a compliant housing element; denying housing applicants' vesting rights after the submittal of complete preliminary applications; and abusing the California Environmental Quality Act as tactic of delay; and failing to timely apply objective standards."

Linebarger has attempted to develop the parcels for more than a dozen years, starting with single-family home projects. He first purchased the property in 2006 for \$2.87 million. The town annexed his properties in 2012 despite his objections, making him subject to Los Altos Hills' zoning regulations. Linebarger has proposed several development options at the site over the past two years, which have resulted in long delays for fire department reviews and compliance with fire code requirements.

"Everyone in California needs to pull together and help build the housing Californians need," Linebarger said in an email statement to the Town Crier. "Other communities are doing their share. It is a sad day when a city as rich and aging as Los Altos Hills goes out of its way to violate state laws so it can deny a senior



Linebarger

housing development with affordable units. It's embarrassing. They need this housing the most."

Los Altos Hills City Manager Peter Pirnejad stated in an email that the town thoroughly reviewed the proposed developments since 2023 and retained experts to evaluate the projects' building safety and fire hazard issues before the city council made findings to deny the project.

"Based on the record presented before it, the city council made findings pursuant to California Government Code section 65589.5(d) to deny the projects due to their non-compliance with state law density requirements and their significant, unaddressed fire safety hazard and evacuation dangers," Pirnejad said. "The town believes those findings and the project denials are proper. In accordance with California Government Code section 65589.5(m), the town will prepare and certify an administrative record within 30 days from service of the petition."

Mountain View teens create startup to combat wildfires



PHOTOS COURTESY OF SEBASTIEN BURKHARDT AND BARRETT DENG

Above: The retardant, pictured, is eco-friendly. Right: From left, Sebastien Burkhardt and Barrett Deng founded Clore Wildfire Defense.

By Kaitlyn Stattler
Town Crier Editorial Intern

Two teens from Mountain View are behind a startup aimed at tackling wildfires.

Sebastien Burkhardt, 18, and Barrett Deng, 17, are the founders of Clore Wildfire Defense, an eco-friendly fire retardant used to fight the recent Pickett Fire in Napa County.

Burkhardt and Deng said they met at Bullis Charter School and became close friends after a chance meeting in Boston after eighth grade. It was on that family trip they both noticed smoke coming from Canada.

“We saw huge wildfires from Canada, so we were like, ‘Oh, it’s not just a California issue,’” said Deng, who graduated from the Archbishop Mitty High School in the spring.

That inspired the boys, who both shared an interest in firefighting when they were younger, to work together to combat wildfires. In ninth grade, they created an eco-friendly retardant that fire departments and homeowners can use as a preventative solution during wildfire season.

“What if we could make something that isn’t toxic, that’s friendly for pets especially, because a lot of homeowners have that?” Deng said of their invention. “And also at the same time, make it super accessible for homeowners to use.”

Deng added that Clore Wildfire Defense can be spread around homes and other properties to save them from wildfires. The product went to market last summer, sold on their website.

Deng and Burkhardt, a 2025 graduate of The Kehillah School, said they check fire maps and call homeowners that are likely to be impacted to recommend their retardant product. The teens, both taking a gap year, traveled to Calistoga in August to spray their retardant around homes in the path of the Pickett Fire. This was the first time they sprayed their product during an active fire, prompted by a call from a client requesting they do so.

“We sprayed their property and asked if they knew who their neighbors were and if we could talk to them quickly,” Burkhardt said. “We talked



to the neighbors and then ended up protecting the neighbor’s house also, so that was kind of the progression.”

Arthur Tomasetti, acting assistant chief of the administration and planning division of the Santa Clara County Fire Department, said he wasn’t aware of the product but was pleased to see young people take an interest in preventing fires.

“Anything that can help with reducing the chances of fire spreading or causing such disasters is beneficial,” he said.

Before heading to college next year – Deng to UC Berkeley and Burkhardt to Cornell University – the two entrepreneurs said they plan to grow their business by adding more fire-resistant products. They are working on a product that can treat flammable materials, including fabric, to protect them from lighting on fire.

“We would like to position ourselves as more of a company that does everything fire related,” Deng said.

Homeowners can buy a Clore Wildfire Defense Starter Kit, which includes 15 gallons of fire retardant and a garden sprayer, for \$650.

“It’s at a price where you can spend \$650, you can get an entire kit that you can store at your house in Tahoe, and in three years’ time if there’s a fire, you spray it around your house and protect your home for \$650, which is not bad,” Burkhardt said.

For more information on Clore Wildfire Defense, visit clorefr.com.

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DEVELOPMENT

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housing development that is supposed to accommodate so many tenants.

“There have been a lot of apartment buildings that have been built – on Shoreline, on West Middlefield, on Moffett and Castro, just around the area – these are four, six, seven-stories high, but the difference in that is that the streets are much bigger,” she said.

Tyrella Avenue is one lane in either direction, Pham said, and she was concerned the four-story development would make the already small, busy street even more crowded.

While the development includes an underground parking garage, McAli-

ster and Councilmember Alison Hicks were also concerned about the impact of limited parking. Because the project is located within half a mile of transit light rail, the city cannot impose a required number of parking spaces under state law, AB 2097, according to developer documents.

The site is located near transit locations including the Mountain View Transit Center, Whisman and Middlefield light rail stations.

Displacement

The development will also replace two duplexes and a single-family residence. The tenants of the existing housing will be displaced, Mountain View Principal Planner Diana Pancholi noted in

city staff’s presentation during the council meeting.

Although Councilmember Emily Ann Ramos supported the project, she was concerned about staff outreach to the tenants after she knocked on doors and learned two Spanish-speaking tenants hadn’t received any outreach information they could understand.

“I spoke to two households there, both of them are primarily Spanish-speaking, and one said she did not get any kind of notification about the tenant relocation assistance,” Ramos told staff during the meeting. “The other one showed me hers, the notice of intent, it was only in English. She managed to get a Spanish one because she went to a community meeting and so she managed

to talk to someone who emailed her a Spanish version.”

Staff of the city’s Rent Stabilization Division noted that they had gotten in contact via phone call with three of the four residents of the property to go over relocation, relocation benefits and the application process. After Ramos voiced her concerns, staff is looking into again sending notices and getting in contact with the tenant who said she did not get any notification of the tenant displacement program.

Those who have not reached out to the city for the program told the city’s third-party consultant that they haven’t applied or looked for more information because they haven’t received termination notices, city staff said during the meeting.

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Homelessness numbers creep in Mountain View



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The county noted an increase in the number of unsheltered and sheltered unhoused residents from 2023 to 2025 across Mountain View – and the rest of the county – in the 2025 Point-In-Time study.

By Christina Casillas
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Homelessness is up from 2023 numbers in Mountain View, according to the recently released Santa Clara County 2025 Point-In-Time study.

The Point-In-Time study offers a look into the number of unhoused people – both sheltered and unsheltered – on a single January night. The 2025 Point-In-Time study was conducted during the mornings of Jan. 22 and Jan. 23, according to the county.

Mountain View had 562 total unhoused – 424 sheltered and 138 unsheltered – in 2023, and 879 unhoused residents in 2025. Of those 879 unhoused residents, 722 were unsheltered and 157 were sheltered.

The increase in unsheltered homelessness in Mountain View was due to more people residing in vehicles and RVs, city officials shared in a press release. Other causes of the rise include:

- Limited temporary shelters and homelessness programs across the county.
- The Navarro settlement re-

lated to the Narrow Streets Ordinance – passed by Mountain View voters in 2020 – which requires at least three miles of streets “...available for OSVs to park without overnight restrictions, without any limits on time that is less than 72 hours and without narrow street or bike lane restrictions,” according to the class action settlement.

• An increase in non-Mountain View motorists living out of their vehicles while working temporarily in Mountain View.

Neighboring cities outlawing camping in public outdoor spaces, essentially displacing those in encampments, and oversized vehicle parking on streets after the U.S. Supreme Court’s ruling in City of Grants Pass v. Johnson.

The city earlier this year adopted a homeless response strategy, which will serve as a guide to addressing homelessness across the city over the next decade. The city of Los Altos also experienced an increase in homelessness – the city went from no unhoused residents in 2023 to 12 unhoused, unsheltered residents in 2025.

Local student advocates for bill to protect people with food allergies

By Olivia Levesque Ouellette
Town Crier Editorial Intern

Finding a place to eat can be a tough choice, but those with allergies often must dive deep into a menu just for a meal.

“Dining out is a really hard experience,” said Pinewood School senior Lara Parikh, who has a severe peanut allergy. “It’s something that’s often avoided, and in my personal opinion, food should be enjoyed and not feared.”

Hoping to reduce that fear, Parikh is advocating for State Senate Bill 68, which, if it becomes law, would require at least 20 restaurants in California to label their menus with a listing of the top nine allergens in every dish. Passed by the state Senate Sept. 9, the bill now requires Gov. Gavin Newsom’s signature to go into effect July 1, 2026.

Parikh is part of the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America’s Advocacy Action Center. The last four months, she called restaurants, emailed assembly members and occasionally attended hearings at the state capital in support of the bill.

Although the bill has been passed by

the Senate and Assembly, Parikh said there were difficulties along the way. Specifically, small businesses were opposing the bill, claiming it would be too much of a burden on them. However, Parikh said she consistently advocated for those who would be helped by the bill.

“So many people are avoiding going to restaurants because they’re scared that there may be (cross-contamination),” the Los Gatos resident said. “So, with this disclosing mandate, people feel more comfortable to dine outside, and hence the businesses will get more revenue. I think it’s just a commonsense approach to keeping everybody safe.”

Roughly four million people in California have food allergies, so dining out can be a challenge, according to Alexa Jordan, the allergy foundation’s manager of advocacy and policy.

“This is not a niche problem,” Jordan said. “This is impacting a large portion of our population, and so we feel that it’s very important that we have public safety and food safety regulations in place that can keep our population from having premature death and severe reactions, when we can easily prevent it.”

Parikh said she joined the foundation’s youth advocate program specifically to help people like herself.

“I’m very grateful to be a part of (this) because as someone who’s grappled with fatal food allergy since infancy, it’s definitely been a rocky road,” Parikh said. “But having found an organization like AAFA who supports individuals like myself so wholeheartedly and selflessly, was a really awesome find, and I’m so glad I get to be a part of their mission.”

Pediatric nurse Robyn Lao, who proposed the bill, said Parikh’s contributions greatly impacted the progress of the bill.

“I would say (Parikh’s) probably been the most involved one,” Lao said. “Asking, what else can I do? And really being engaged. She helps us make phone calls to targeted districts, cold calling, or like (contacting) local allergists to get the word out. So, she helped with that effort as well.”



Parikh



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Above are some – not all – of the food allergens that can cause life-threatening allergic reactions.

Parikh said she expects the bill to become law next year.

“It would definitely be a dream come true, not only for myself, but for the other four million people in California that live with food allergies,” Parikh said. “... I think (SB68) would really add a lot of security, safety and peace of mind to those affected.”

For more information on the bill, visit tinyurl.com/bddab4c4.

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Other Voices

Benefits of LAHS tennis courts

By Barbara Zieroth-Hoffman

Six years ago, four end tennis courts on the Los Altos High School campus were locked and utilized as staging during construction at LAHS, with the assumption, as in the past, they would be restored back to playable condition when the buildings were completed. Fast forward to now, and the four courts are in danger of being removed and turned into a parking lot. This would be very unfortunate for tennis players in the area, who rely on LAHS courts since there are no other tennis courts in North Los Altos.

Tennis is more than a sport, as in other forms of exercise, it is a lifestyle. People who play tennis enjoy the physical aspect, the competitive but friendly challenge of the game and the camaraderie. Tennis has had a resurgence since the pandemic and it is not unusual to see a wide range of players on the LAHS courts, from young beginners with their parents to the regular old-timer doubles to recreational level teenagers and older couples to serious tournament play-

ers. My family has a long history of playing on the LAHS courts where I taught tennis and my son played on the LAHS Varsity team. We all continue to play there but have noticed it has been more difficult to find an open court, especially during the most popular times. Adding back the four courts would certainly help alleviate the waiting logjam.

Everyone who plays tennis on the LAHS courts was looking forward to the four tennis courts being restored! Having more people playing tennis brings a positive benefit to the LAHS neighborhood, while on the other hand, eliminating the four tennis courts would be detrimental. Picture a huge parking lot with multiple cars instead of four open tennis courts. Then also picture playing tennis on courts adjacent to those cars. Is that a healthy combination? Wouldn't it be better if the four tennis courts were renovated and other alternative parking options were investigated at LAHS?

Barbara Zieroth-Hoffman is a longtime resident and a recreational tennis player.

Peek into the past



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William, Sr. and Dr. Charlotte Marvin pose with their children William Jr., Barbara, Dorothy and Betty in 1930. The Marvins built their dream home, "Casa Reposa" in the 1920s near Los Altos Ave. William Sr. was a successful lawyer; Charlotte practiced medicine before their children were born and after they had grown.

Letter to the Editor

Let Los Altos residents choose

I attended the last public workshop on a proposed new park and underground parking garage for our city. I gathered from the presentation that the choice was what kind of park or garage we wanted, not, do you even want this idea?

Of the over 30 attendees, most were questioning the idea and were unhappy in the presentation. Many wondered why it felt as though this was a "done deal." It is still a bit confusing but I believe the funds are approved

for their specific purpose, that is all.

These approved "park in lieu" funds are to be used for existing park maintenance and/or new parks. A good suggestion was to use funds for our affordable housing project at 330 Distel Circle, as the park promised there did not get built. Situated where it is, this seems a much more appropriate place for a new park.

One reason residents voted to incorporate, was they then gained local control of land use planning. Most had moved west from large cities

and wanted a small-town atmosphere. Consideration was given to ensure parking plazas with convenient, easy and safe access to businesses, for persons of all ages and abilities. A parking garage does not fit this plan in any way.

The original plan appears to be working, or why do so many people choose to move here? The plazas are convenient, easy and safe. Something of this magnitude and permanence, I feel, should be approved first by the voters of Los Altos.

JoAnne Estill
Los Altos

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Community

Compassion Week Blood Drive Oct. 6 at St. William Church

By Keara Morrow
Town Crier Editorial Intern

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood, according to the American Red Cross. Next week, local residents can help fill that need.

A Compassion Week Blood Drive is scheduled 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, at St. William Church in Los Altos. Donors are encouraged to book an appointment, but walk-ins are welcome.

The St. William and St. Nicholas Parish has partnered with Vitalant, a nonprofit blood center, to host the drive. The parish holds multiple blood drives each year.

“When I first started to go to

blood drives myself, I went because I know there is a need for blood,” said Mary Ann Balkenhol, a regular blood donor at the parish.

This marks the fourth year that the parish has hosted a blood drive for Compassion Week, a countywide project to encourage volunteer service and build empathic communities. This year, Compassion Week runs Oct. 4-12.

Balkenhol is compassionate about donating blood and encouraged others to participate in this drive and others.

“There is only one way to get blood, and that’s if it’s given,”

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she said. “If it’s not there, it’s not there. There’s no such thing as artificial blood.”

According to its website, Vitalant is one of the largest nonprofit blood centers in the U.S. and provides blood to patients in approximately 900 hospitals throughout the country. The nonprofit also offers extra benefits to donors: screenings for blood pressure and cholesterol, along with A1C testing for diabetes.

St. William Church is located at 611 S. El Monte Ave., Los Altos.

To make an appointment, visit vitalant.org and use the Blood Drive Code “compassionweek.”



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Community Briefs

LAMVCF sponsoring Compassion Week

The Los Altos Mountain View Community Foundation (LAMVCF) returns as the primary sponsor of Compassion Week 2025, a weeklong gathering of neighbors, service and community spirit from Oct. 4-12 for the Santa Clara and San Mateo communities. More than 4,000 community members will celebrate the 13th year of Compassion Week. This year will feature dozens of local nonprofits, community impact projects and forums on teen mental wellness, housing and immigration.

For more information on Compassion Week and to volunteer, visit compassionweeklosaltos.org.

Mountain View High School reunion class of 2000

Calling all class of 2000 MVHS graduates. Join the 25-year reunion on Oct. 4 and reconnect with fellow classmates. The event will run from 6-10 p.m. in Los Altos; tickets are \$60 per person. For more information and to RSVP, visit bit.ly/mvhs2000.

“Pet the Pony” Day set for Oct. 5

The Los Altos Hills Horseman’s Association will hold their second “Pet the Pony Day” Sunday, Oct. 5, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Los Altos Hills Town Riding Ring at Purissima Park as an introduction into the world of ponies. Children will learn about what a pony eats, how to tie and brush a pony and listen to its heart beating all under the supervision of the members of Los Altos Hills Horseman’s Association.

Pet of the Week



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Gavin, a one-year-old chocolate-colored pup, has eyes that might just melt your heart. Gavin is a playful little guy, weighing in at 20 pounds and is curious about the world around him. He is fully potty trained and came to Pets in Need from a partner shelter looking for a loving home. He loves adventures, chasing a ball, exploring the neighborhood on a walk or just sniffing around for new smells. His favorite activity is snuggling up with people after a busy day. He is loyal and affectionate with big eyes and a wagging tail. To learn more, visit petsinneed.org.



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7th Annual Harvest History Festival brings students, community and local history together

Town Crier Report

The seventh Annual Harvest History Festival, put together by the Kiwanis Club of Mountain View and the city of Mountain View Parks and Recreation Department, was held Sept. 13 at Heritage Park, celebrating the region's orchard roots with music, history and family-friendly activities.

High school students from Mountain View High School and Cupertino High School Key Clubs were an important part of the day, helping run activities and suggesting a group photo in front of "Greenie," Mountain View's historic 1957 Chevy farm truck.

"Greenie" holds special significance: The original orchard where it once worked was a 9 1/2-acre apricot and cherry orchard at Oak Avenue near Mountain View High in Los Altos.

The festival, first launched in 2017, has drawn strong community support each year and continues to highlight the importance of preserving and celebrating Mountain View's agricultural history, while inspiring the next generation through service and volunteerism.



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High school Key Club members from Mountain View High School and Cupertino High School gather with "Greenie," Mountain View's historic farm truck, during the Harvest History Festival, put together by the Kiwanis Club of Mountain View and the city of Mountain View Parks and Recreation Department. On the far left is Deidre ("D.D.") Fager, president of the Kiwanis Club of Mountain View and lieutenant governor, Kiwanis Division 34. At front right in plaid is Mary Kay "Marina" Marinovich, a Mountain View Kiwanis board member and festival founder.

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Community

Vines and Wines: Celebrate wine with local vintners Oct. 12

Town Crier Report

The public is invited to Vines & Wines 2025, a wine tasting to celebrate the talents of Los Altos Hills vintners. The Oct. 12 event from 2-5 p.m. starts under the giant oak at Town Hall, 26379 Fremont Road, Los Altos Hills.

Twenty winemakers will participate, and all the wine on offer must be made within town borders or made from grapes grown within town limits. Though red wines dominate the list of varietals, there will be plenty of Chardonnay, and even a unique white blend

named “Fencolino.”

Held every two years, this year marks the ninth edition of Vines & Wines, sponsored by the nonprofit Hills 2000-Friends of the Hills and the town. Because many vintners bring more than one varietal or more than one year of the same varietal, there will be more than 30 bottles to try. A volunteer committee provides bread, cheese and seasonal bites to complement the wine.

Dave and Susanne Scott have been making wine in the Hills for 24 years. In 2023, the Scotts offered tastes of their

2015, 2016, 2017 and 2020 Cabernet Sauvignon. They also opened a 2006 Petite Syrah Port for those ready for a sip of fortified spirits. For Vines & Wines 2025, the Scotts will be pouring their 2016, 2017 and 2020 Cabernet, plus their 2009 Petite Syrah Port.

Tickets to Vines & Wines 2025 are \$40 each online at <https://tinyurl.com/Vinesandwines2025>. Only 250 tickets are available, and the event typically sells out. Tickets will be available at the door for \$50 each if the event does not sell out before Oct. 12.



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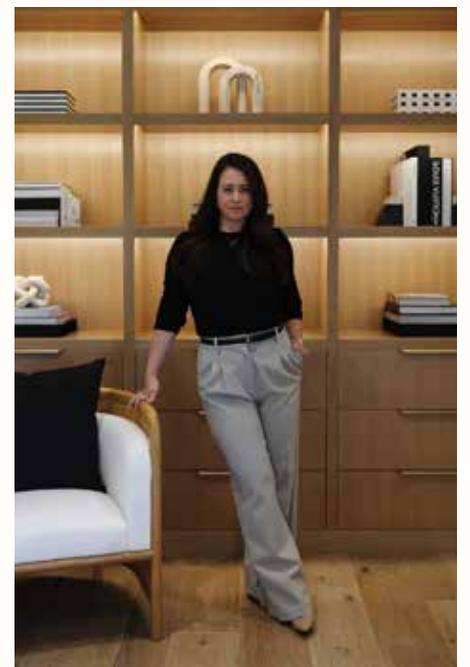
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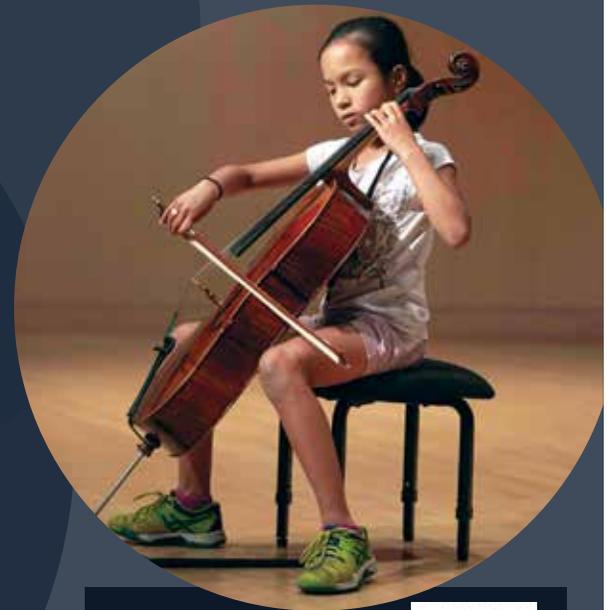
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Dick Abbott really did have a wonderful life: Los Altos resident lived a century and more

By Robin Chapman

Dick Abbott lived his life as an optimist and he had more years than most of us in which to do that. The longtime Los Altos resident died Sept. 8, at the age of 102.

Born Richard F. Abbott in Long Beach, California, Oct. 5, 1922, his father was a career officer in the U.S. Navy. During World War II, Dick, too, joined the Navy and served at several bases as a mechanic's mate, spending two years repairing aircraft in Natal, Brazil.

He married his wife Ruth, whom he had known in grammar school, in 1944 and in 1958 they bought a house in Los Altos where they raised their children, Tim and Sheryl. Dick Abbott lived there the rest of his life. After his wife died in 2013, his son and daughter-in-law moved in

to offer support. Not that he needed much. After he retired from his career managing shoe departments at I. Magnin, Joseph Magnin and Saks Fifth Avenue, he worked as a handyman.

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"That may be one of the things (in addition to good genes) that kept him sharp and mobile for so many years," says his granddaughter Rochelle Dusatko.

For more than half a century, he was an active member of Union Presbyterian Church of Los Altos and that is where I met him after I returned home more than a decade ago. He had a strong faith, serving

in many roles over the years within his church; as a deacon, an elder and Sunday School teacher. Above all, he would want to be remembered as a faithful follower of Christ.

When I met him, he was in his 90s. He played golf regularly until he was 95, taught a golf class for children in East Palo Alto, still drove his own car and traveled extensively with his twin siblings, Bill Abbott and Jane Southwick, both residents of the East Bay. They both survive him at age 99. His daughter Sheryl passed away in 2007.

He had a gift for friendship and as he turned 100 years old, still loved to have coffee in downtown Los Altos with friends. Before his death, he confessed he had even fielded a proposal of marriage at his 100th birthday party. (He said



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Dick Abbott, age 98, in December 2020.

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he politely declined and added with a smile: “She has since died. So, you see, I would just have been widowed again!”)

During the COVID-19 outbreak in 2020, he caught the virus and when he was admitted to the hospital, friends feared the worst. But didn’t factor in his durability, and he was home recovering in just four days. Later, he was delighted to learn that thanks to the pandemic, he could renew his California driver’s license online without going down to the DMV. At age 98, he secured a new license for five more years.

“I only drive about five miles a week,” he said. “But I’m not ready to give it up.”

Finally, last summer, he parked his 2004 Subaru Outback in the driveway of his home

for the last time, as his final illness began to take its toll.

Several months ago, he was admitted to the VA hospital for hospice care and died there just days before the expiration of that last driver’s license.

After his death, hospital staff escorted his body through the VA halls with its traditional Honor Walk – at its end, folding the American flag that covered his remains and presenting it to his son Tim. Union Presbyterian Church plans a celebration of his life on Saturday, Oct. 4, at 10:30 a.m., one day short of his 103rd birthday. He was such a fine man and such a good friend to me. I know I am just one of so many who will miss him.

Robin Chapman is a longtime journalist, a Los Altos native, and the author of three books about California.



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Dick Abbott, age 100, photographed in 2023 at Union Presbyterian Church in Los Altos with baby Calvin Moore, the son of Pastor Dave Moore.

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FabMo's Artisans Market returns to Los Altos this week



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People shop at an Artisans Market at the Los Altos Community Center, filled with art, fashion items, toys and gifts.

By **Kaelyn Tan**
Town Crier Editorial Intern

FabMo, a nonprofit dedicated to saving materials for creative reuse, will host its 14th annual Artisans Market 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at the Los Altos Community Center, 97 Hillview Ave.

The market will feature nearly 50 local makers selling fine art, fashion, home décor, jewelry, toys, gifts and holiday items, which are all crafted from materials FabMo collects from the landfill, according to event organizers.

A curated collection of vintage linens and curios will also be sold, with proceeds supporting FabMo's programs.

The event is meant to highlight FabMo's mission to reduce textile waste and inspire eco-friendly craft by showcasing the potential of using upcycled materials.

"Everybody can come in and appreciate the things that have been made and hopefully see that there are so many great things that can be created from materials that would normally be thrown away," FabMo board chairwoman Kathy Bonte said.

At the same time, the market is an opportunity for FabMo to support and bring together the artisan community.

Maria Rose, a local textile artist and vendor, specializes in upcycling rescued home decor remnants to make



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The upcoming FabMo Artisans Market is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 5 at the Los Altos Community Center.

functional art, including items from zipper pouches to purses.

The Los Altos resident is focused on the tangible and positive impact of her work and is committed to supporting FabMo.

"They do a great job educating the community through local events and workshops, and they support local schools and teachers," Rose said. "By being a FabMo artist, I get to be a part of that larger effort to normalize and promote creative reuse."

The event is not only an opportunity for people to support local artists and small businesses, but it also allows them to connect to the broader FabMo mission of upcycling and eco-conscious crafting.

Rose hopes that shoppers can recognize that the value of creative reuse lies in the story behind each piece and

the ethical commitment it represents.

"That piece of mind, knowing they own something truly unique and ethically made, is what makes the investment absolutely worth it," Rose said.

Founded in a Palo Alto living room more than two decades ago, FabMo has grown into a Sunnyvale-based hub for artists, educators and community members seeking sustainable materials. The nonprofit collects discarded samples from the San Francisco Design Center and private donors, rescuing about 14,000 pounds each year and distributing them through regular warehouse events and an online store, according to organizers.

Admission to the market is free.

For more information on the market and FabMo, visit FabMo.org.



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The Mountain View Chamber of Commerce hosted a meet and greet event last Thursday at the Monte Carlo, inviting business owners, community members and city officials to express how they envision downtown Mountain View. From left, Peter Katz, the CEO and president of the Mountain View Chamber of Commerce; Christian Murdoch, the director of economic development of the city of Mountain View; Juan Origel, the owner of Ava's Downtown Market & Deli; Cari Gillette, the store manager of Books Inc.; and Maria Keith, the owner of the Monte Carlo, discussed the difficulties of owning a business downtown, such as vacancies and light foot traffic.

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Schools

Silicon Valley Investment Bowl teaches local students finance

By Brandon Roth

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Students may fall behind as adults if they don't learn early on how to manage a budget, invest in the stock market or open a high-interest rate savings account.

Having a strong financial literacy background can take one a long way, Athan Joshi, a Los Altos High School junior, said. Joshi said that last year he joined the Silicon Valley Investment Bowl, a biannual event that was formed by junior and senior LAHS students in 2023, as the event planning and marketing lead. He explained that the event consists of local junior high and high school students who learn about different types of investments, such as crypto, stocks or mutual funds. He said the students are paired into teams and are given investment case studies on how to use resources efficiently.

"Last year we had about 50 kids and we had a lot of diverse age groups," Joshi said. "The younger generations have a lot of bright ideas and I think we're basically giving them a way for

them to express ideas, because Silicon Valley is obviously very tech-focused. I think finance and business are overlooked and I think this allows them to express themselves."

He said the next event is expected to be held Sunday, Oct. 12, at the Los Altos Community Center.

He said it will be a full-day schedule that will consist of team pairing and bonding, a learning session on how to use investment tools and then a two-hour period to build hypothetical portfolios. The event is then concluded with judges, which include local finance professionals, who will provide feedback on the teams' ideas. He said this program is the entry point for students to learn the basics of taking investment risks.

"Personal finance is a necessary skill you have for the whole of your life," Joshi said. "In any profession, you will personalize your budget. And for people my age, I think there's a lot of like stigma around deciding your major early, whether you're asking sophomores or juniors, 'What do you want to do in life?'"



COURTESY OF ATHAN JOSHI

Students at the 2024 Silicon Valley Investment Bowl pitch to local financial advisor judges on their mock investments. Since 2023, students at Los Altos High School organize the investment bowl to have local junior high and high school students learn how to invest in companies and be given a chance to compete for a grand prize. The next event will be held Sunday, Oct. 12.

There's a need to explore. So I think by giving an opportunity like this, it just gives a way for middle school and high school (students) to explore their interest."

Joshi, who has a strong inter-

est in finance and economics, said that his school only has one economics class and he knows many students who have taken advanced courses at Foothill College. He said this event not only teaches him how to plan

and teach students, but it also allows students to navigate real-world issues based on intuition instead of research beforehand.

"I think apart from just

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Peer counseling program, in place at Mtn. View, coming to Los Altos

By Lara Leon

Town Crier Editorial Intern

When Mountain View High School senior Rani Sindledecker was a freshman, she noticed that many students were hesitant to meet with an adult counselor to talk about mental health. That led her to help launch a peer counseling program at the school last year.

"Not all students feel comfortable talking to adults," said Sindledecker, who has been recognized nationally for her mental health advocacy. "What's really special about peer counselors is that we offer another option."

Now, the district-run program is coming to Los Altos High, set to launch in January. The program at Los Altos will be similar to Mountain View's, which allows students to receive support from trained peers as an alternative to adult therapists, according to Wil-

liam Blair, wellness coordinator for the Mountain View Los Altos School District.

"Data shows that students will go to students first," Blair said.

Blair added that students had requested peer counseling for years, but the district lacked the personnel to implement it safely.

The district approved the program after counselor Michelle Campusano and therapist Josune Sullivan developed a proposal with professional oversight and comprehensive training requirements, according to Blair.

"It took about a year to get the OK, because we wanted to do this very intentionally," Campusano said.

Both schools require peer counselors to complete extensive training. At Mountain View, students complete Teen Mental Health First Aid training and ongoing sessions on recognizing signs of distress,



COURTESY OF RANI SINDLEDECKER

From left, Josune Sullivan, a Mountain View High School therapist, Anoushka Dugar, a MVHS junior, Kavya Murthy a MVHS junior, and Michelle Campusano, a MVHS counselor, all participate in different services at the high school to make students feel less alone and open up about their struggles.

body language and connecting peers with appropriate resources.

"We train the peer counselors on how to look at red flags, yellow flags, green flags, how to connect with an individual and

how to understand what is said and what is not said," Sullivan said.

Sullivan added that students can request peer counseling through an online referral form, which licensed therapists

review before pairing students with a peer counselor they don't already know. Sessions take place in private wellness center offices, ensuring confidentiality.

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“Our keys don’t open your doors,” Sindledecker said, quoting the program motto. “We can’t solve your problems for you, but we can help provide you with resources.”

Mountain View’s first cohort included about 30 peer counselors who trained for a year before beginning sessions, Sindledecker said.

Junior Nishka Gollamudi is among those counselors, having started last year.

“My favorite way, if I’m struggling, is to talk to friends or classmates,” Gollamudi said. “There are people who don’t have that support system, so being a peer counselor, I can be that person someone opens up to.”

Los Altos received a similar number of applications as Mountain View and will begin offering peer counseling sessions in the second semester of the school year, according to Makenzie Gallego, the school’s social worker and one of its therapists.



COURTESY OF RANI SINDLEDECKER

Rani Sindledecker, a senior at Mountain View High School, helped launch the peer counseling program at her school. Los Altos High School plans to open its program in Jan. 2026.

Gallego noted that sessions will be scheduled outside of class time.

“We got a huge volume of applicants,” she said. “We’re super excited about that.”

At Mountain View, program leaders noted challenges with outreach, as many students remain unaware of the service. Peer counselors have promoted it through ambassadors, flyers and events.

Campusano said regular debriefs help peer counselors support each other. “We talk and process things that the peer counselors are going through themselves,” she said.

The program aims to expand mental health resources and reduce stigma around seeking help, according to Sindledecker. Mountain View is also transitioning to a dual enrollment model that will provide college credit for peer counselors and increase meeting frequency from biweekly to weekly.

“The most rewarding part about being a peer counselor is seeing the relief in someone’s eyes when they realize they’re not alone,” Sindledecker said. “It creates a community that is safer, nonjudgmental and slowly changing the culture around mental health.”

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showing up and having fun, it is also recommended that students research a stock list,” Joshi said. “I think just looking at different scenarios and different studies can help you a lot, even before you come to the competition.”

Ethan Huang, a LAHS junior, said his responsibilities with the investment bowl include building the event website and organizing and advertising the event. He said that the investment bowl team meets once a week outside of school to keep in touch through the event planning process from securing a venue to acquiring sponsorships. Huang said he enjoys the aspect of teamwork, building the event and providing children with real-world investment challenges.

“From an organizing perspective, running a real-world event where people are coming and hoping to take something, creates value of its importance,” Huang said.

He said children need to start thinking about their safety net

early on and the best time to start is as soon as they’re able. He said this program is a student’s first chance to experiment with different investment accounts and learn how to implement trades. He said his team also teaches children the differences between stocks and someone who just puts money in a savings account and what the benefits of each are.

He said this year, the program has reached out to the local middle schools, such as Egan Junior High School, Georgina P. Blach Intermediate School and Bullis Charter School. The goal for them the program this year is to talk to more schools and try to make everything expand, such as larger cash prizes for the winners and participation.

“I think people should know the value of investing because when you have the privilege to invest at a young age, the growth is compounded exponentially,” Huang said. “This means you’re going to have a future life where you can take risks, maybe start your own business or not have to worry about paying bills.”

For more information on the investment bowl, visit svib.vercel.app.



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Sports

Los Altos boys water polo looks to go one better in 2025

By Curtis Driscoll

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Coming off a CCS Division I championship last year and an appearance in the NorCal Division III finals, Los Altos boys water polo coach Seth Tasman is setting the bar even higher for this year's team.

Loaded with several returning seniors and valuable experience from last year, Tasman's goal for the team this year is to reach the semifinals of the CCS Open Division playoffs and qualify for the NorCal playoffs.

"I do think, overall, this is the strongest team that I've had at Los Altos since my coaching career here," Tasman said.

Senior captain and goalie Milo Crosby and defender Tiernan Braun are anchors in the back. Ferran de Witt, Colby Sims and Benji Barkovich are also core pieces returning to the team, and players like Braun, de Witt and Barkovich have been on varsity for

all four years.

"Those five seniors have been the backbone of our team, leadership-wise and then play-wise," Tasman said.

Most of the offense has been team-oriented and spread amongst the team, with Los Altos not relying on one player to score all the goals. The Eagles will rely on defense, physicality and team pressing to lead the team, following Tasman's philosophy that a good defense will lead to good offense. Braun, a 6-foot-2-inch, 230-pound center defender for Los Altos, will lead the defense.

"Our center defender, Tiernan Braun, he's probably the best center defender in all of CCS," Tasman said. "He's really big and really strong, and teams have a really hard time getting position on him. It helps our press defense a lot."

Tasman has set up a demanding non-conference schedule in hopes of making the Open Division. Los Altos



DORIE XIE/TOWN CRIER EDITORIAL INTERN

Los Altos water polo player Colby Sims goes for a shot during a game earlier in the season. Los Altos is 8-4 this year and wants to reach the CCS Open Division playoffs.

finished third in the De Anza Division III playoffs. Now Division last season and won the CCS Division I playoffs as the No. 1 seed and lost in the finals of the CIF NorCal

8-4 overall this year, Los Altos beat historical water polo powerhouse Bellarmine 11-5 Sept. 12 for the first

time in recent memory and has upcoming games against WCAL foes St. Francis and See WATER POLO, Page 26

Lancers fall to Crusaders in WCAL opener, but 'knocking on the door'

By Andres Baisch

Town Crier Editorial Intern

The St. Francis football team fell 47-28 in its West Catholic Athletic League opener Friday to Archbishop Riordan.

The loss puts St. Francis at 0-4, a start the program hasn't seen in more than 20 years. While it has been a difficult season so far, the Lancers pushed the talented Crusaders to a new level of pressure. For the first time, Riordan trailed their opponents.

St. Francis head coach Greg Calcagno discussed how close the Lancers are to finding that first win.

"Every week's brutal in the WCAL - we're knocking on the door right now," Calcagno said.

Riordan quarterback and Vanderbilt commit, Michael Mitchell Jr., connected on 80 and 63-yard touchdown passes to receivers Judge Nash and Kyle Welch, respectively, to quickly put the pressure on St. Francis.

After the Crusaders hopped out to a quick 13-0 lead just four minutes into the game, the Lancer defense managed

to slow things down. Forcing three stops on the ensuing Riordan possessions allowed the offense a chance to get back into the game.

Following touchdown passes by senior Andrew Franzino to senior wideouts Sefania Alatini and Sean Walsh, the Lancers forced Riordan into something it hadn't done all season - trail. Calcagno explained how important it was for his team to respond defensively early on.

"Our guys battled; we're 0-3 and we're down 13-0, and we come back and scrape," Calcagno said. "We showed a lot of improvement tonight."

St. Francis led by as much as eight, after a seven-yard touchdown pass from Drew Cumby to Alatini for his third touchdown of the season with 8:12 left in the third quarter.

But Riordan, with multiple Division 1 commits on their offense, stormed back following two touchdown passes to Harvard commit Nash and running back Adonyae Brown.

Even though the Lancers failed to stop the bleeding and find the end zone the rest of the game, receiving



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St. Francis receiver Sean Walsh catches a pass in the Friday loss against Riordan.

depth and the efficient use of Cumby and Franzino showed Calcagno signs of progress. Receivers Walsh and Dom Oteiza, who had been out with a concussion, recorded their first touchdowns of the season.

"We're playing a lot of guys right now," Calcagno said. "I'm happy with

other guys stepping up because we need them."

The Lancers continue to utilize both Cumby and Franzino in more of a tandem style rather than a clear starting hierarchy. When asked about going

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Mitty, who both made the CCS Open Division playoffs last year. Los Altos ends the regular season with a match against Soquel, one of the top teams in the Santa Cruz Coast Athletic League. Tasman noted that the parity for the top 10 fighting for the eight Open Division spots is the most noticeable since he started coaching Los Altos 13 years ago.

“All the non-league games have a significant impact on CCS seeding,” Tasman said.

Los Altos only has four losses this year by a combined seven goals, with one-goal losses against Valley Christian and SCVAL De Anza Division league rivals Los Gatos. Tasman believes close losses can teach them more about what to expect in the playoffs than beating teams by 12 goals.

“We’ve had three really

close losses that have taught us a lot about things we need to adjust, things we need to work on,” Tasman said. “We are really excited. The boys have been really motivated throughout the entire year, going into the season.”

Tasman believes the Eagles will need to finish first or second in league play and win some non-league games coming up to qualify for the Open Division. Los Altos finished third in the De Anza Division last season behind champions Los Gatos and second-place Harker, with all three teams fighting for the league title this season. Los Gatos is 5-0 in league while Harker is in second at 5-1. Los Altos is 3-2 and needs to make up ground before facing off against Los Gatos in the final league game on senior night for Los Altos.

“Whoever shows up and plays their best on the game day, I think, is going to get the win,” Tasman said of league positioning.



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Bruno Beckmann, No. 5, playing for Los Altos during a game earlier in the season.



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Football

The Los Altos football team fell to 0-4 on the season after a 38-21 loss against Milpitas in a non-league game Friday. Wide receiver Gavin Wu finished with four receptions for 72 yards receiving and a touchdown and seven carries for 33 yards rushing. Quarterback Giancarlo Mendoza finished with 191 yards passing and two touchdowns. Milpitas took a 31-14 lead at halftime and didn't look back, leading 38-14 by the end of the third quarter. Los Altos plays Terra Nova Friday at 7 p.m.

Girls volleyball

The Los Altos girls volleyball team is undefeated in SCVAL De Anza Division play after a 3-0 (25-14, 25-18, 25-18) rivalry win over Mountain View Wednesday. Los Altos' Aviya Russo led the team with eight kills, while Angela Deng had six aces and eight digs, both team highs. Ella McFarlane had five total blocks for the Eagles. Los Altos is now 4-0 in league play and 11-4 on the season. Mountain View is 4-6 and 1-4 in league play.

St. Francis lost to St. Ignatius 3-1 Thursday in WCAL league play to fall to 2-2. St. Francis is now 13-7 overall on the season after going 3-1 in

non-league tournament play over the weekend.

Boys water polo

The Mountain View boys water polo team lost 16-8 against Palo Alto Thursday to fall to 2-8 overall.

St. Francis is on a six-game winning streak after beating St. Ignatius and Archie Williams last week. The Lancers are 10-3 overall and 2-1 in WCAL play.

Girls water polo

The Los Altos girls water polo team is 5-0 in SCVAL De Anza Division play as of Monday, just a half game behind 6-0 Palo Alto, with the two teams playing Tuesday (after the Town Crier print deadline). Los Altos is 8-4 overall, with Palo Alto 7-0 overall.

Mountain View is 1-5 this season following a 15-2 loss against Palo Alto Thursday.

St. Francis is in first place in WCAL play (3-0) following a 7-4 win over St. Ignatius Sept. 24. St. Francis is 4-4 overall.

Flag football

The Los Altos girls flag football team beat Mountain View 20-13 Sept. 24 in the SCVAL De Anza Division opener. Los Altos is 10-3 this season, while Mountain View is 6-8.

St. Francis lost 7-0 against Sacred Heart Prep Sept. 24 to fall to 3-6-1 overall on the season.

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forward, Calcagno said it is to be determined, though he liked what he saw from both quarterbacks.

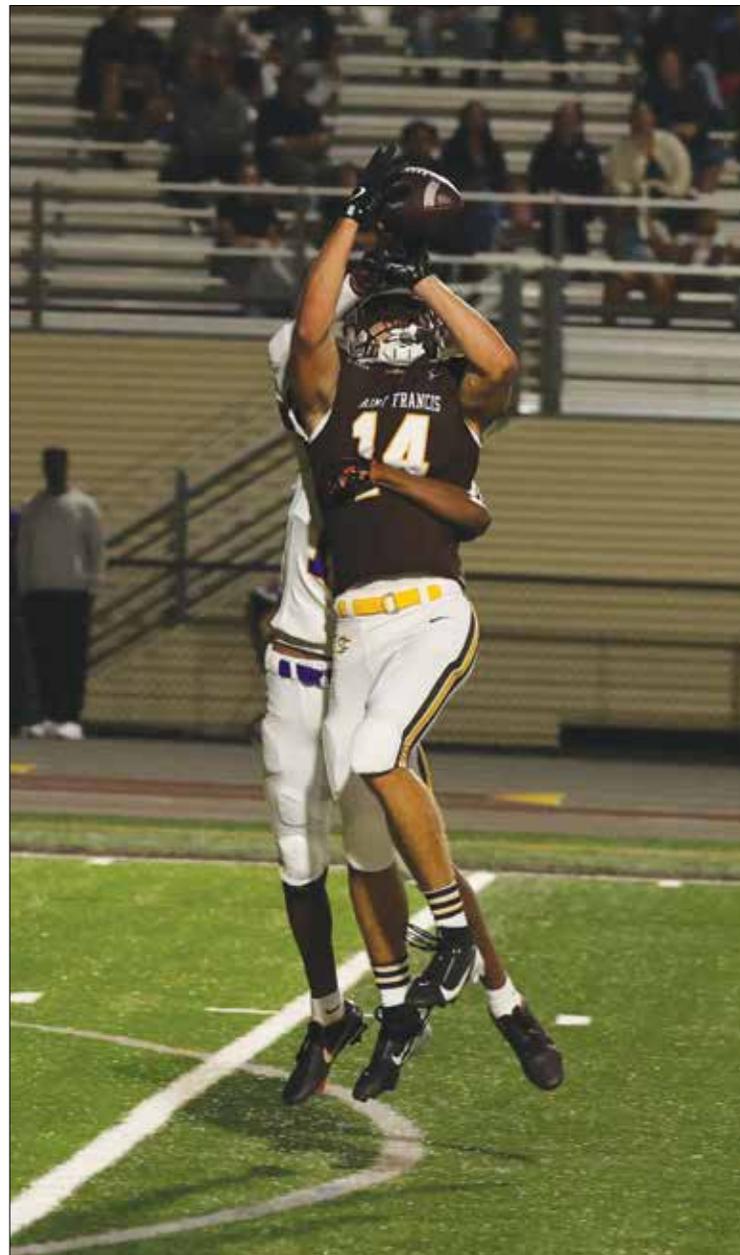
"Seeing what sticks, who's hot - hope to get a little but healthier," Calcagno said.

A crucial point in the game came with the Lancers leading 28-26 in the fourth quarter. With the Lancers threatening in the red zone, a false start penalty and a sack on fourth down gave the Crusaders the ball near midfield. Mitchell Jr. quickly found Nash for a 52-yard score, tilting the momentum Riordan's way.

Calcagno acknowledged the risk taken going for it on fourth down, citing the team was "in no man's land," and were looking to come up with a big play. Riordan head coach Adhir Ravipati noted that St. Francis is a team deserving of credit and is much better than its 0-4 record.

"Their offense is getting better, but that defense is really good," Ravipati said. "Winning in this league is hard - we haven't won at St. Francis since 1971."

St. Francis will continue league play on the road Oct. 3 at Bellarmine College Prep in San Jose.



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St. Francis' Sean Walsh goes up for a ball against Riordan.

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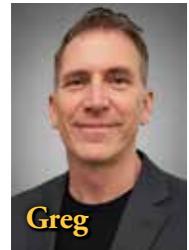
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2025 Subaru Forester strikes gold with best edition yet

By Mike Hagerty

So many cars, so little ink. Or pixels. Whatever. What I'm trying to say is that I drive 104 cars a year, but we only have space to share 24 a year here at the Town Crier and losaltosonline.com. That results in some glaring oversights and omissions on my part and one of the biggest is the Subaru Forester.

When I got the 2025 Subaru Forester, I said, "Let's see when my last Town Crier review of a Forester was."

The answer was never. My friend and predecessor, the late Gary Anderson, and his wife Genie had the most recent review – more than 10 years ago ("On The Road," June 2015).

Well, let's fix that right now. The Subaru Forester is all-new for 2025, but don't worry –

you'll still recognize it, even from 10 years ago.

Subaru struck gold with the Forester, a compact SUV that is in tough competition with the likes of the Toyota RAV4 and Honda CR-V ("On The Road," August 2023) and has wisely left what doesn't need improvement alone.

Auto Review

The styling is simply a fresh take on what the Forester has always been, adapted for the times, which appear to dictate a slightly more muscular look. It has always had and likely always will have all-wheel drive, because that is a Subaru hallmark.

A big change this year is the availability of a Forester



MIKE HAGERTY/SPECIAL TO THE TOWN CRIER

The new 2025 Subaru Forester ranges in cost from \$34,995 to \$41,695.

Hybrid. It's a newly developed 2.5-liter four-cylinder BOXER engine with two electric motors, a continuously variable

transmission and symmetrical all-wheel drive. Total system output is 194 horsepower, up from 180 in gasoline-powered

Foresters.

That 14 horsepower isn't

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Sunnyvale Foreign Car Service nears 64-year anniversary

By Matt Pataky

As Sunnyvale Foreign Car Service Inc. approaches 64 years in business, I'm feeling a little nostalgic. Lately I have been reflecting on how the automotive field has evolved. Forty years ago, you could get by with a small toolbox, fuel pressure gauge, test light and a timing light. Nowadays you need 10 times as many hand tools, scanners, computers, electrical diagnostics tools and specialty tools.

Forty years ago a mechanic could put his hand on a car and have an idea of what might be failing. Today the car could run perfectly but have an extremely annoying check engine light on. No way you can figure that out by putting your hand on the car.

One misconception is that modern scanners give us the answer to the problem. The only thing the scanners can do is point us in the direction of the problem. Then we have to perform the tests to come to a conclusion.

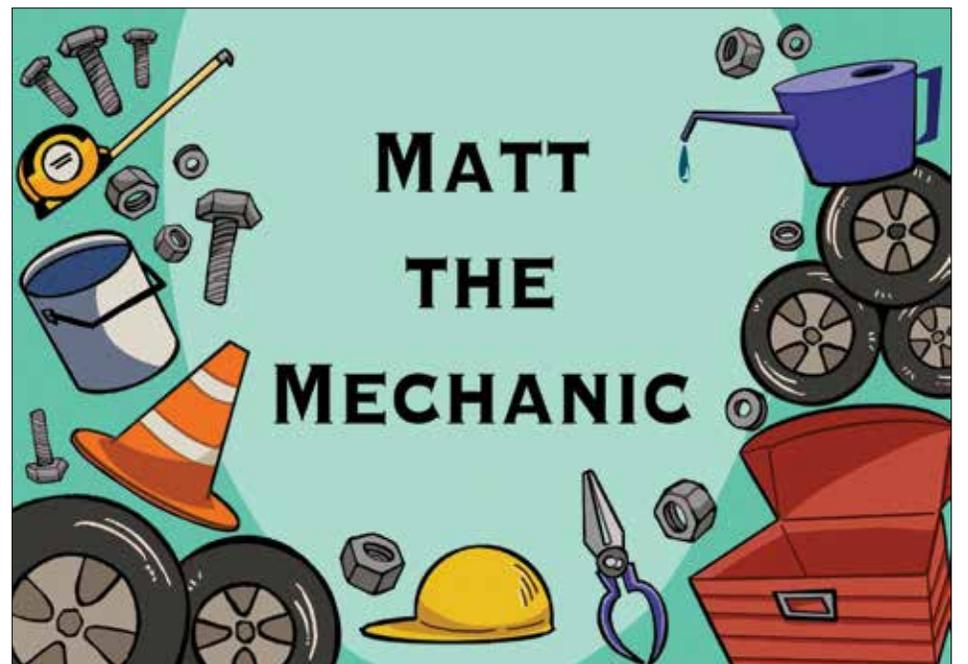
For example, if we get a P2279 intake air system leakage code and a P2187 system too lean at Idle (bank 1),

we first have to check for air leaks. The air leaks could be anywhere (vacuum hose, intake hose, breather system, engine seal). We usually have to start by connecting a smoke machine to find the leak. Once the air leak is repaired, we then have to clear codes and perform an end of line test. After we run the end of line test, a new or existing code could turn the light back on. Either way, it just takes time.

Matt the Mechanic

When I first started working with my dad in the summers 47 years ago (I was 12), it was totally different. My dad had a small screw driver in his pocket. He would open the hood on a VW bug and just start turning a mixture screw. Depending on the direction he would turn it, the car would run better or worse. I saw him as a type of magician. He was able to heal cars with his hands.

Those days are gone and very few people are still able to do it. So much so that we rarely take in very old cars



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Sunnyvale Foreign Car Service is in its second generation and approaching 64 years in business.

unless it is an extremely unusual circumstance. The old ways were an art form. Whenever we perform a valve adjustment on a Honda, I explain to my

customers that we are traveling back in time. Honda is one of the last cars that

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still have adjustable valves. A technician has to put the feeler gauge in his hand and drag it across the top of the valve. There are no computers, digital volt meters or scanners involved. Just the technician, his hands and his tools.

When I was young, I was annoyed with all the stuff that my dad was teaching me, yet as I got older, I truly appreciated it. He taught me how to be a mechanic, a carpenter, an electrician and a plumber.

Steve Pataky was born in Jaszapati, Hungary in 1930. He and his family were farmers. He escaped Hungary after the failed 1956 revolution and

came to New York in 1957 and then Palo Alto in 1959. He started Sunnyvale Foreign Car Service in Sunnyvale with my mother Nathlie Pataky in 1962.

Besides all the skills my father taught me he also taught me how to work hard, be fair and be compassionate. I unfortunately lost my father when I was in my early 20s, but not a day goes by that I do not miss him.

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going to dramatically improve 0-60 times, which are on the slow side at roughly 8.8 seconds. But Subaru says fuel economy is up 40% from the internal combustion Foresters – the EPA estimates are 26 city/33 highway/29 combined.

There's a solid 8.7 inches of ground clearance, so the Forester is off-roadable. And its tidy size is much easier to manage off-road than bigger, brawnier SUVs.

Rear cargo volume is 27.5 cubic feet with the rear seats in place, 69.1 cubic feet with them folded flat. And the rear seat legroom is generous for the class – 39.4 inches.

The 2025 Subaru Forester

Hybrid trim levels go Premium-Sport-Limited-Touring, with prices of \$34,995, \$37,995, \$39,410 and \$41,695, respectively. Our tester was the Sport, and with destination, the base price is \$39,415.

That base price brings a long list of standard features: A comprehensive suite of active safety features, two 12-volt power outlets (one in the console, another in the rear cargo area), a 60/40 split-folding rear seat, dual automatic climate control, automatic high-beam LED headlights, hill start assist, a panoramic power moonroof, a power hands-free liftgate, a sound-insulating windshield, a 12.3-inch touchscreen with an 11-speaker, 576-watt Harman Kardon premium audio system with

subwoofer and navigation. Our Forester Sport Hybrid had no extra-cost options, so the window sticker stops at \$39,415.

I've been a fan of the Forester since the beginning. This new one is the best yet, and the addition of the hybrid makes it better still. Toyota and Honda should not get too comfortable.

Mike Hagerty, past vice president of membership for Western Automotive Journalists (waj.org), has been writing about cars since 1997.

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Top: The trunk space of the 2025 Subaru Forester. Bottom: The interior control screen of the Subaru Forester.





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Hyundai Palisade XRT Pro offers rugged off-road option

By Mike Hagerty

Last month, I brought you a first-drive review of the 2026 Hyundai Palisade Calligraphy, the top of the seven trim lines of this three-row SUV entering an all-new second generation this year.

This month, let's look at the other big news in the Palisade line, an off-road trim level called XRT PRO.

Hyundai invited yours truly and about 70 other automotive journalists to Calistoga in late July/early August for what's known as a media drive event – a briefing on all the facts and figures and an opportunity for a first drive of the 2026 Palisade for a day in Napa and Sonoma Counties.

Full disclosure: Hyundai paid to fly most of us (being semi-local, I drove) to San Francisco International Airport or to Charles M. Schulz Sonoma County Airport in Santa Rosa and for two

nights' lodging, food and beverages at the Solage Resort and Spa.

As with my piece last year on Range Rover House in Park City, Utah and the Range Rover Sport ("On The Road," April 2024), none of that hospitality influences my opinion.

Our off-road adventure came at the midpoint of our daylong drive in the luxury Calligraphy trim. We stopped at Merlo Lake, west of Geyserville in Sonoma County, for an outdoor lunch and the opportunity to drive the XRT PRO on a challenging off-road course.

Auto Review

I decided to drive first and eat later, which meant stepping out of the luxury Calligraphy straight into the off-road XRT PRO.

The interior design is



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The Hyundai Palisade XRT Pro has a base price of \$49,370 and is a home run for Hyundai, according to OTR columnist Mike Hagerty.

the same, and it has very premium-feeling synthetic leather upholstery, heated and ventilated front seats, a power moonroof and a 14-speaker Bose premium audio system. But as you settle in, you see that more information is

available in the instrument display – there's now oil temperature, transmission temperature and displays showing the degrees of pitch and roll.

While all-wheel drive is optional on the other six trims,

it's standard on XRT PRO, which also gets an electronic limited-slip differential, 18-inch wheels with all-terrain tires, 8.4 inches of ground clearance, improved approach and departure angles

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and front and rear recovery hooks.

All Palisade trims use the same 3.5-liter V6 engine, with 287 horsepower and 260 pound-feet of torque, as well as the same eight-speed automatic transmission. There will be a hybrid version later this year.

I am an inexperienced off-roader. I've done it infrequently over the years. I really don't know what I'm doing out there, and the only reason I'm here to write that sentence is that Hyundai put a bunch of off-road pros along our route to literally prevent two dozen journalists from driving off several cliffs in a single afternoon.

That was a serious course – with most of what you might encounter in a day of off-roading packed into 20 minutes or so. The Palisade XRT PRO's mud and sand terrain modes got a workout. Its external cameras were

invaluable.

We didn't have to use the recovery hooks.

The Palisade XRT PRO is a mountain goat. I haven't driven one on pavement yet (I'm told one is coming for a weeklong evaluation), but I'm sure what will amaze me even more is how suited to civilization it is as well.

The 2026 Hyundai Palisade XRT PRO has a base price of \$49,370 (\$50,865 including destination). As I said last month, I'll know a lot more after a typical seven days with both the Calligraphy and the XRT PRO, but this sure feels like a home run for Hyundai.

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Top: The Hyundai Palisade XRT Pro after an off-road trip. Bottom: The interior of the Hyundai Palisade.



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Stepping Out

Los Altos Stage Company celebrates 30 years of the Follies

By Brandon Roth
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No one is getting off the hook at this year's Los Altos Stage Company's "Follies 2.0: Saluting the Fraudsters, Fanatics and Fools."

Since 1992, the Follies has become a tool for the local community to use satire and parody to poke fun at local and national politicians and headlines. This year Joe Simitjan, the former 5th district supervisor of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors will be in the hot seat. Simitjan will co-emcee the Friday, Oct. 3 show and will be recognized each evening of the Follies for his public service.

Other emcees include the Thursday, Oct. 2 show with Mike Kasperzak, the former Mountain View mayor; Shannon Geary, the newly elected

Stage Company board chair and the Los Altos Community Investments community marketing manager; and Scott Hunter, the Los Altos Village Association executive director. The guest emcees for the Saturday, Oct. 4 show include Larry Chu Jr. the Chef Chu's General Manager and Courtenay Corrigan, the former Los Altos Hills Mayor.

Chris Reber, a Bay Area actor and director who has been featured in TheatreWorks, San Francisco Playhouse and San Jose Repertory Theatre, will be taking over as the new director of the show from Vicki Reeder. Reeder, who will still be involved in the show as a writer, producer and cast member, said that this show is all about making fun of people who think too highly of themselves. She said it has been the tradition of the show to find easy targets such as the differ-

ent presidents. She said the show's ultimate goal is to be fair and balanced.

"It's an act of courage to step on a stage and be willing to stand in a light to say things," Reeder said. "Our local politicians decided it was fun to be mocked in the Follies and some of the city managers liked coming and laughing at the city. The things in Los Altos to make fun of are like the dog park or parking at the high school. These are first world problems."

Reber said it has been a great collaboration between him and Reeder on crafting a fun show. He said directing the show is unique for him, learning for the first time if the parodies work well with each other and things fit since the show is all original content.

"I think sometimes the truth hurts," Reber said. "I think, with our current administra-



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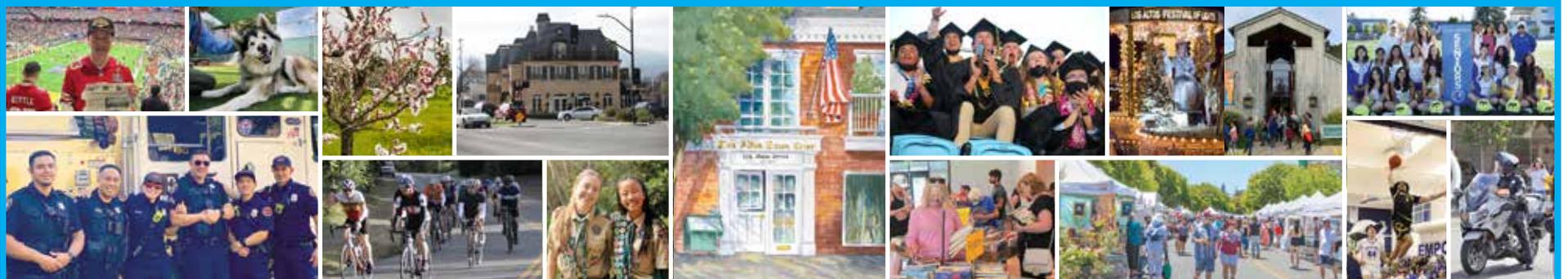
From left, the cast of the 30th anniversary of Los Altos Stage Company's "The Follies" includes Gary DeMoss, Linda Piccone, Archana Appanna, Mike Kasperzak, Amy French, Rod Sinks, Vicki Reeder and Paige Colazzo.

tion, people don't seem to have much of a sense of humor and don't seem to be able to laugh at themselves. They get hurt very easily. And I think that is what's happened a lot in recent years, it's a powerful tool just to get out information."

Tickets for the Oct. 2 Follies are \$85 per person; this per-

formance has no reception. The Oct. 3 Follies tickets are \$150 per person and the Oct. 4 Gala Night tickets are \$175 per person. Premium seating priced slightly higher for each night is also available.

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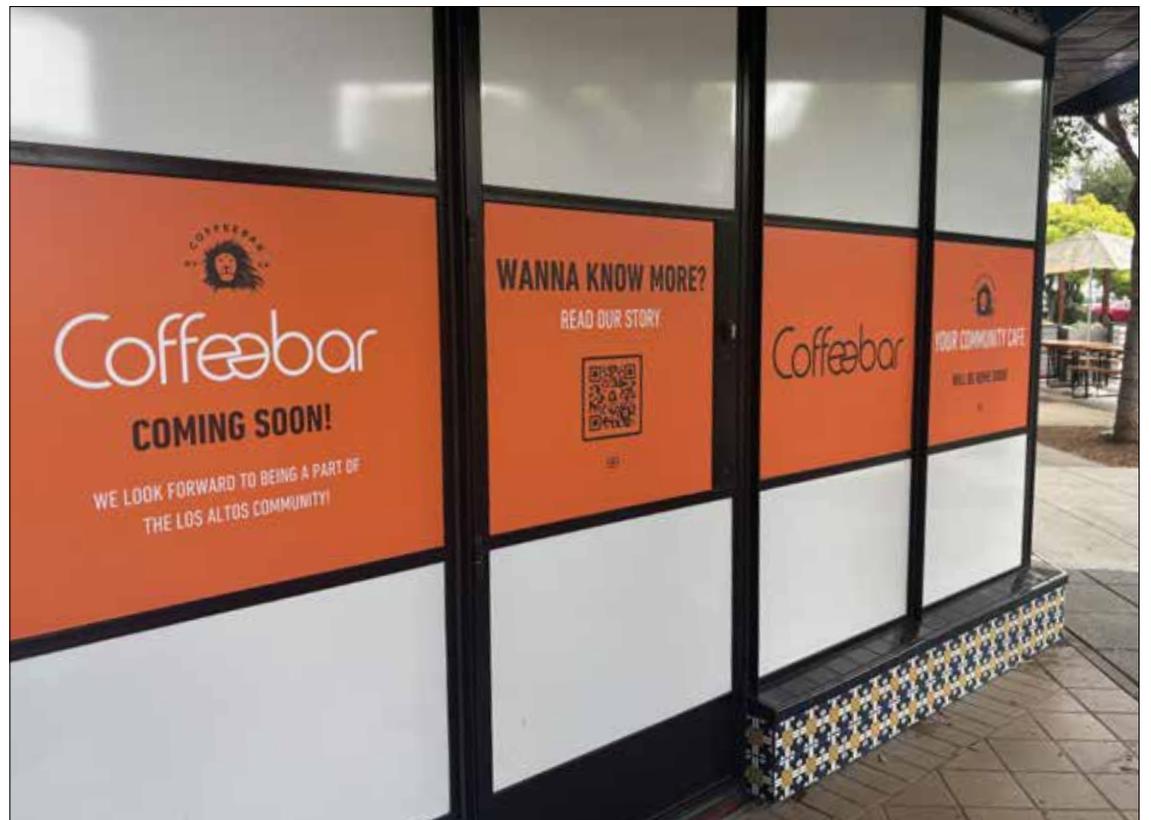
By Christina Casillas
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While there are a number of coffee shops in downtown Los Altos, Coffeebar founder and CEO Greg Buchheister said the human touch, quality beans and an influence from Italian cafe culture will set the shop he's opening up along State Street apart from the others.

A self-proclaimed coffee-addict, Buchheister has a deep-rooted passion for the fragrant beverage that took root during his days as a professional skier in the 1990s. He said his travels to Italy and his experiences with coffee and cafes there during his athletic career especially informed his view of coffee and the role of a barista.

"I think what's more inspirational than even the coffee itself, right, is that they're these community centers and community hubs," he said in a video call. "And I think Italy is just really great at (fostering) that."

Buchheister has been in the coffee industry since 1998 – more than half of his life – and he opened Coffeebar in 2010. He opened the first Coffeebar location, which will celebrate its 15th anniversary this month, in Truckee, near the California-Nevada border. It's one of the 10 existing Coffeebar locations – including three along the Peninsula – and the next is scheduled to open in State Street Market, 170 State St., in spring 2026. Contractors have been hired to get the space ready, but city and Santa Clara County permitting must be tied up before any movement happens, Buchheister said.



CHRISTINA CASILLAS/TOWN CRIER

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While Coffeebar isn't set to open at 170 State St. in Los Altos until spring 2026, the building it will occupy has already received an external Coffeebar rebranding.

Considering a move without leaving it all behind? The coast might be calling

By Owen Halliday

For many longtime Los Altos residents, the question of "what's next?" looms larger as the years pass. Families grow, children settle in new neighborhoods, and homes once filled with activity may begin to feel oversized or difficult to maintain. At the same time, the thought of leaving behind friends, familiar doctors or the daily comforts of life in the Bay Area can make a big move feel overwhelming. That's why some are exploring a middle path: relocating not hundreds of miles away, but just over the hill. The San Mateo County coastal corridor, from Pescadero to Pacifica, offers a lifestyle change that feels worlds apart from Silicon Valley's fast pace, while still keeping everything you value within easy reach.

A quieter pace, close to home

Driving over Highway 84 or 92, it takes about 40 minutes to reach the coast. In that short span, the scenery changes dramatically, from bustling freeways to sweeping ocean views. Residents describe the coastal towns as calmer, more close-knit, and wonderfully walkable. Life slows down in places like Half Moon Bay, El Granada and Moss Beach, where morning fog gives way to cool afternoons and people greet you by name at the local café.

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Yes, there can be weekend traffic but you learn when to avoid going "over the hill."

For those worried about being too far from family, it's reassuring to know that visits with children or grandchildren in Los Altos, Mountain View or Palo Alto remain a short drive away. Major Bay Area hospitals and medical centers are still accessible, while smaller clinics and practices are available right on the coast.

An affordable alternative

Another compelling reason longtime residents consider the coast is cost. Home prices in coastal San Mateo County can be about half, or even less, than comparable homes in Los Altos. That means a comfortable townhome in Pacifica or a single-family home in Pescadero might be within reach for those who want to downsize or free up equity from their current property.

This affordability can also open doors to new options: a smaller place that requires less upkeep, or perhaps a home with space for visiting family. For some, it even creates the possibility of a second property, keeping a foothold in

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1382 Holt Avenue, 7A Holdings LLC to F. and C. Pable for \$3,520,000

1389 Chelsea Drive, Kump Trust to Meadow Homes for \$3,750,000

1091 Valley View Court, Baer Trust to Yang and Su Trust for \$3,800,000

1405 Cedar Place, B. Ding to S. and P. Khaloo for \$4,020,000

1621 El Sereno Court, Berner Family Trust to S. and Y. Meng for \$4,325,000

600 Guadalupe Drive, N. and D. Fligor to Guadalupe Pine LLC for \$4,434,000

1 Hampton Court, Thomas Trust to K. and P. Ritcher for \$4,858,500

Los Altos Hills

25850 Vinedo Lane, Kae Survivors Trust to Osborne Family Trust for \$5,475,000

23480 Ravensbury Avenue, Mintz Living Trust to Lorton Living Trust for \$5,625,000

Mountain View

905 West Middlefield Road #974, R. Larson to J. Field for \$930,000

472 Mountain Laurel Court, Catihanan 2020 Trust to C. Chen for \$1,350,000

2326 Rock Street, P. Davies to A. and A. Lihn for \$1,550,000

1809 Higdon Avenue, Schennum Living Trust to Y. and C. Tsai for \$1,700,000

884 San Simeon Drive, M. Fascilla to Gennext Properties LLC for \$1,985,000

774 San Lucas Avenue, Burkhead Trust to Reivo Fund Ii LLC for \$2,088,000

100 Eldora Drive, Gusek Living Trust to E. and S. Zhu-matiy for \$2,109,000

2126 Jardin Drive, Anderson Living Trust to A. and C. Melton for \$2,548,000

49 Showers Drive #W203, J. Hou to F. and M. Singh for \$2,820,000

1050 Boranda Avenue, Cassidy Trust to S. and N. Gupta for \$2,930,000

Total sales

Los Altos

Total sales: 8
Lowest sale: \$1,421,500
Highest sale: \$4,858,500
Average sale: \$3,766,100

Los Altos Hills

Total sales: 2
Lowest sale: \$5,475,000
Highest sale: \$5,625,000
Average sale: \$5,550,000

Mountain View

Total sales: 10
Lowest sale \$930,000
Highest sale: \$2,930,000
Average sale: \$2,001,000

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Watch out for ghost-tapping

Better Business Bureau

Tapping your card or phone to pay has become second nature for many of us. It's quick, easy, and you don't even have to hand your card to anyone. But scammers are finding ways to take advantage of this payment convenience. One growing threat is called ghost tapping, where criminals use wireless devices to steal money without touching your card.

Ghost tapping is a scam that targets tap-to-pay cards and mobile wallets. Tap-to-pay works through Near Field Communication (NFC), which allows devices to exchange data at very close range. While NFC is generally safe, scammers can exploit it in crowded or distracted situations.

Unlike previous debit and credit card scams, which required physical contact with the card, ghost tapping eliminates this need. There are occasions where the scammers will attempt to trick unsuspecting individuals in public places. For example, they might try:

- Getting close in public spaces.
- Pretending to be a vendor at pub-

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lic events.

- Charity scams. They might request a small donation but actually charge your card for a much larger amount.

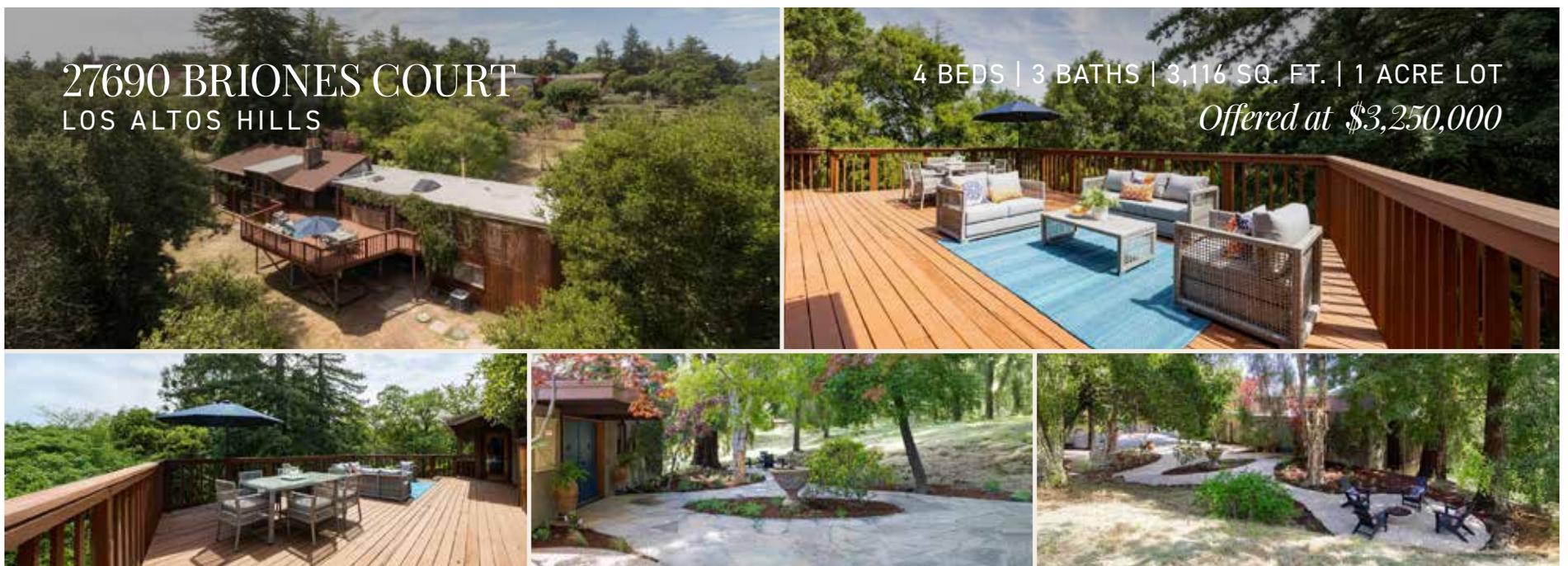
- Rushing the process. In some cases, fraudsters make small withdrawals to avoid triggering fraud detection systems, which means victims may not notice the theft right away.

What are the warning signs and red flags of ghost tapping?

- Bank alerts about small or unusual "test" charges.
- A request to tap without showing you the total or offering a receipt.
- Suspicious charges after a crowded event.

How can you protect yourself from a tap-to-pay scam?

- Use RFID protection. An RFID-blocking wallet or sleeve can help stop wireless skimming.
- Always confirm payment details before tapping.
- Set up transaction alerts.
- Check your accounts daily.



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LOS ALTOS HILLS

4 BEDS | 3 BATHS | 3,116 SQ. FT. | 1 ACRE LOT
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Exceptional Opportunity in Los Altos Hills

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COFFEE

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Prior to starting the Coffeebar venture, Buchheister served as director of operations at Pekoe Sip House from 2008-2010 and owner/operator of Amanate Coffee from 1998-2005, both based in Boulder, Colo.

A major tenet of Coffeebar is the ideology that baristas are providing more than coffee – they’re contributing positively to the community and to the day-to-day lives of those they serve, similar to the role of Italian baristas. Buchheister himself served as a barista at the Menlo Park Coffeebar location for about 10 weeks after the shop opened in 2018, and he said he enjoyed the experience immensely – not only because he was making coffee, but because he was providing people a pick-me-up.

“I love making people feel great so they

can go out into the world and achieve their dreams, or, you know, go after the things they want to go after. (Fostering) that joyous culture is how I’m built,” he said. “I love connecting with people and sending them out in the world, sort of better than how I found them. And that’s the coffee bar ethos as well – we provide the fuel that propels you throughout your day, whatever it is that you’re doing.”

The aforementioned fuel is also sourced with people and connections in mind. Buchheister tries to cut the middleman out as much as possible at Coffeebar, and when it comes to sourcing the beans the coffee shop sells both online and in-store, that means working directly with coffee bean farmers.

One specific community Buchheister holds close to his heart is a Guatemalan mountain community called La Suiza, named after the Swiss immigrants who

life. Add in farmers markets, small community festivals and the friendly culture of coastal towns, and it’s easy to see why many find themselves feeling at home almost immediately.

Connected with a fresh start

The beauty of this option lies in balance. Moving out of Los Altos doesn’t have to mean moving away from everything you know and love. By considering coastal San Mateo County, you can embrace a new lifestyle while maintaining close ties to your community, your doctors and your loved ones.

For longtime residents wrestling with the question of what’s next, the coast provides a refreshing answer: a chance to downsize, simplify and enjoy the rhythms of a smaller community, all without losing the connections that matter most.

Sometimes, the best move isn’t about leaving; it’s about finding a new perspective just a little farther down the road.

Owen Halliday is a longtime Los Altos resident and realtor who manages the Christie’s-Sereno office in downtown Los Altos. Call him at (650) 492-0062 or email Owen@Sereno.com.

settled there in the 1900s. Coffeebar has been working directly with the community for approximately eight years. Almost half of the families in the community work growing and harvesting coffee, and since Coffeebar has been doing business with the farmers and harvesters directly, the yield and conditions in the town have improved, Buchheister said.

“We’ve gone from getting 10 bags of coffee from them to now getting over 100 bags, and the coffee that we get has always been at a rate that doesn’t get whittled down by importers and brokers and distributors,” he said. “So when we’re paying them, the money goes straight to their communities

and families, and that money goes so much further in a community like that.”

La Suiza isn’t the only community of farmers Coffeebar directly works with – Buchheister also sources from communities in Ethiopia, Rwanda, Tanzania, Sumatra and Papua New Guinea.

“We have a lot of connections all over the world,” he said.

While it may be a number of months before the Los Altos location opens, local residents can visit close-by Coffeebar locations in Redwood City, Menlo Park and Sunnyvale.

For more information, visit coffeebar.com.

MOVING

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Los Altos while enjoying weekends by the sea. You might even be able to transfer over your low property tax to your new house.

Lifestyle benefits

Beyond price, the lifestyle along the coast holds a strong appeal. The climate tends to be cooler than the South Bay, a welcome change for those who prefer mild summers and fresh ocean breezes. Local dining is another highlight: from award-winning restaurants in Half Moon Bay to casual seafood spots tucked into harbors and coves, there’s no shortage of options. The region also boasts miles of trails, beaches and open space preserves. Whether you’re an avid hiker, a bird-watcher or simply someone who enjoys morning walks with ocean views, the outdoors quickly becomes part of daily

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24570 RUTH LEE COURT, LOS ALTOS

5 Bedrooms | 6 Bathrooms
34,173 Sq Ft. lot | 5,693 Sq Ft.

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271 STRATFORD PLACE LOS ALTOS



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706 N. SAN ANTONIO ROAD
LOS ALTOS



LUXURY AND LIVABILITY IN NORTH LOS ALTOS

Behind gated grounds spanning over a third of an acre, this exceptional home blends luxury and livability with ample space for multi-generational living. Constructed with high-end steel and finished with top-tier materials, the home offers more than 4,500 square feet across three thoughtfully designed levels. Expansive formal rooms, a spectacular gourmet kitchen, an office, and a lower level with its own kitchen and living room are just a few of the standout features, while four en suite bedrooms ensure comfort and privacy. Outdoor spaces provide serene venues for entertaining or unwinding, and an additional bonus area of approximately 970 square feet includes a kitchen and three versatile rooms currently used as bedrooms. Conveniently located minutes from downtown Los Altos and The Village at San Antonio Center, this home is also close to parks, and within walking distance of acclaimed schools like Egan Junior High and Los Altos High (buyer to verify eligibility).

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MAN-WAH WANG YING CASE NO. 25PR200745

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MAN-WAH WANG YING. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by YEJAY W. YING in the Superior Court of California, County of SANTA CLARA. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that YEJAY W. YING be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 10/31/25 at 9:01AM in Dept. 1 located at 191 NORTH FIRST ST., SAN JOSE, CA 95113 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner JANET L. BREWER - SBN 74181 LAW OFFICE OF JANET L. BREWER 4 MAIN STREET, SUITE 20 LOS ALTOS CA 94022 Telephone (650) 325-8276 10/1, 10/8, 10/15/25 CNS-3971495# LOS ALTOS TOWN CRIER (10-01,08,15-25)

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TOWN OF LOS ALTOS HILLS NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING FOR GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT, ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT, AND OBJECTIVE DESIGN STANDARDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the Town of Los Altos Hills, State of California, will hold a public hearing at the hour of **6:00 P.M. THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025**, or as soon as thereafter practicable, in the **Council Chambers of Town Hall, 26379 Fremont Road**, Los Altos Hills, California, as the time and place for consideration of the following:

Subject: Consideration of an Amendment to the General Plan Land Use Element; Amendments to Chapter 1 (Zoning) of Title 10 (Zoning and Site Development) of the Los Altos Hills Municipal Code to rezone certain parcels identified in the Town of Los Altos Hills 2023-2031 Housing Element from Residential-Agricultural (R-A) to Multi-Family (MF), Multi-Family Overlay (MFO), and Floating Multi-Family Overlay (FMFO) zones and to establish multi-family development standards; and Objective Design Standards for multi-family developments (File #GPA25-0002, MCA25-0003). The City Council will consider (1) adoption of a resolution approving the General Plan Land Use Element Amendment; (2) wavier of reading and introduction of an Ordinance amending Title 10, Chapter 1 of the Municipal Code to rezone parcels to Multi-Family zone and overlay zones and establishing development standards; and (3) adoption of a resolution approving Multi-Family Objective Design Standards.

CEQA Review: Exempt pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.085 and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3).

A digital copy of the meeting agenda and staff report will be available on the Town's website by the end of the day on October 10, 2025, at <http://www.losaltoshills.ca.gov>. If you have any questions or need additional information about the foregoing actions for consideration, please contact Jay Bradford, Community Development Director at (650) 559-2244 or jbradford@losaltoshills.ca.gov.

All interested persons may appear and be heard at said time and place. Written communications should be filed at Town Hall prior to the date of the hearing. Court challenges to the action of the Planning Commission, or City Council may be limited to issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence received at Town Hall at, or prior to, the time of the public hearing. Further details may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office at 650-947-2513.

To attend the meeting in person: City Council Chambers, 26379 Fremont Road, Los Altos Hills, CA 94022

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Marco Ahumada
Administrative Clerk/Technician
Town of Los Altos Hills
NOTICE DATE: October 1, 2025 (10-01-25)

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MOMENTUM RAGZ FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719908

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: MOMENTUM RAGZ, 10981 Acacia Way, Cupertino, CA, 95014, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: married couple. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Robert Murray, 10981 Acacia Way, Cupertino, CA 95014, Nicole Murray, 10981 Acacia Way, Cupertino, CA 95014. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 09/19/2025. /S/ Robert Murray / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/19/2025. (10-01,08,15,22-25)

237-T

GAME SET PARTY FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719375

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: (1) GAME SET PARTY, (2) ACE AND OLIVE, 701 Vine Street, San Jose, CA, 95110, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: an individual. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Parija Maloo, 4355 Renaissance Dr., Apt 206, San Jose, CA 95134. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 08/01/2025. /S/ Parija Maloo / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/02/2025. (10-01,08,15,22-25)

236-T

JOYROMANCE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719836

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: JOYROMANCE, 316 Costello Dr, Los Altos, CA, 94024, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: an individual. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Kimberly Joy Silver, 316 Costello Dr, Los Altos, CA 94024. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: N/A. /S/ Kimberly Joy Silver / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/17/2025. (10-01,08,15,22-25)

235-T

VISTA DEVELOPMENT GROUP FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719873

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: VISTA DEVELOPMENT GROUP, 4546 B10 El Camino Real #304, Los Altos, CA, 94022, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a limited liability company. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): SOLID STATE HOLDINGS, LLC, 4546 B10 El Camino Real #304, Los Altos, CA 94022. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 01/12/2017. /S/ Kurt Hetzel / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/18/2025. (10-01,08,15,22-25)

234-T

UTILITY ASSET SOLUTIONS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719887

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: UTILITY ASSET SOLUTIONS, 1185 Audrey Avenue, Campbell, CA, 95008, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a corporation. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): KCCT INC, 1185 Audrey Avenue, Campbell, CA 95008. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: N/A. /S/ Kevin Salazar / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/19/2025. (10-01,08,15,22-25)

233-T

SOCIAL THINKING PUBLISHING FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719668

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: (1) SOCIAL THINKING PUBLISHING, (2) SOCIAL THINKING, (3) THINK SOCIAL PUBLISHING INC., 1901 S Bascom Ave Ste 340, Campbell, CA, 95008, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a corporation. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): THINK SOCIAL PUBLISHING INC., 1901 S Bascom Ave Ste 340, Campbell, CA 95008.

Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 08/11/2006. /S/ Pamela Crooke / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/11/2025. (09-24-25,10-01,08,15-25)

231-T

COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA PETITION OF JOE QUANG ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME 25CV475191

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner: Joe Quang filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name:

a. Joe Quang

Proposed Name:
a. Joe Kwong

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING 12/23/2025 at 8:45 a.m. Room: Probate (b) The address of the court is: 191 North First Street, San Jose, CA 95113.

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3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Los Altos Town Crier Date: 09/16/2025 /s/ LE Jacqueline Duong Judge of the Superior Court (09-24-25,10-01,08,15-25)

230-T

SOLID DESIGN BUILDERS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719796

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: SOLID DESIGN BUILDERS, 2147 Newhall Street Apt 217, Santa Clara, CA, 95050, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: an individual. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Hameed Yunesi, 2147 Newhall Street Apt 217, Santa Clara, CA 95050. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 09/16/2025. /S/ Hameed Yunesi / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/16/2025. (09-24-25,10-01,08,15-25)

229-T

NSSRISE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719810

The following person (persons) is

(are) doing business as: NSSRISE, 161 E Portola Ave, Los Altos, CA, 94022, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a limited liability company. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): NSSRISE NEW STAGE SYNERGIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING LLC, 161 E Portola Ave, Los Altos, CA 94022. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 09/10/2025. /S/ Sivapackia Ganapathiappan / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/16/2025. (09-24-25,10-01,08,15-25)

228-T

KDM ENERGY, INC. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719452

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: KDM ENERGY, INC., 43 Del Monte Avenue, Los Altos, CA, 94022, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a corporation. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): PARMAN & ASSOCIATES, INC., 43 Del Monte Avenue, Los Altos, CA 94022. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 09/03/2025. /S/ Joshua Parman / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/04/2025. (09-24-25,10-01,08,15-25)

227-T

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following person(s) / registrant(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name(s). The information given below is as it appeared on the fictitious business name statement that was filed at the County Clerk's office. LORETZ HOMES, 1335 Grant Road, Los Altos, CA 94024 Filed in Santa Clara County on: 03/04/2021 Under File No. FBN673077 Full Name of Registrant(s): Thomas Michael Loretz, 1335 Grant Road, Los Altos, CA 94024 This business was conducted by: an individual This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Santa Clara County on Aug. 11, 2025. Margaret Olaiya County Clerk-Recorder Santa Clara County File No. FBN718711 (09-24-25,10-01,08,15-25)

226-T

7-SEAT FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719634

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: 7-SEAT, 959 Sladky Avenue, Mountain View, CA, 94040, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a limited liability company. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): 7-SEAT LLC, 959 Sladky Avenue, Mountain View, CA 94040. Registrant began transacting business under the ficti-

tious business name(s) listed above on: 08/20/2025. /S/ Jeff Baher / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/10/2025. (09-17,24-25,10-01,08-25)

225-T

SMART CITY MOBILITY COUNCIL FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719588

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: (1) SMART CITY MOBILITY COUNCIL, (2) SCMC, 5532 Milligan Drive, San Jose, CA, 95124, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a limited liability company. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): SMART CITY MOBILITY COUNCIL, LLC, 5532 Milligan Drive, San Jose, CA 95124. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 05/14/2014. /S/ Paul Frederic Hoekstra / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/09/2025. (09-17,24-25,10-01,08-25)

224-T

PRADERA TREE SERVICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719488

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: PRADERA TREE SERVICE, 3228 Coldwater Dr, San Jose, CA, 95148, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: an individual. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Mariela Jimenez Ciriaco, 3228 Coldwater Dr, San Jose, CA 95148. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: N/A. /S/ Mariela Jimenez Ciriaco / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/05/2025. (09-17,24-25,10-01,08-25)

223-T

BRANDCRAFTED FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719167

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: BRANDCRAFTED, 760 Peach Ave, Sunnyvale, CA, 94087, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: an individual. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Jonathan Rios, 760 Peach Ave, Sunnyvale, CA 94087. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 08/21/2025. /S/ Jonathan Rios / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 08/26/2025. (09-17,24-25,10-01,08-25)

222-T

TEAM OFBJ FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719308

The following person (persons)

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is (are) doing business as: TEAM OFBJ, 914 Turley Dr, San Jose, CA, 95116, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a corporation. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): OFBJ CONSTRUCTION INC, 914 Turley Dr, San Jose, CA 95116. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 08/22/2025. /S/ Oscar Carbajal / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 08/29/2025. (09-10,17,24-25,10-01-25)

221-T

LITTLE ECONOMISTS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719069

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: LITTLE ECONOMISTS, 1525 Gold Street Unit 72, Alviso, CA, 95002, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a limited liability company. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): ECON FOR KIDS LLC, 1525 Gold Street Unit 72, San Jose, CA 95002. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 01/01/2025. /S/ Yi Li / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 08/21/2025. (09-10,17,24-25,10-01-25)

220-T

CaliSun Roofing FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719337

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: CaliSun Roofing, 3790 El Camino Real #509, Palo Alto, CA, 94306, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a corporation. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Hajaj Builders Group, 3790 El Camino Real #509, Palo Alto, CA 94306. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: N/A. /S/ Michael Hajaj / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 08/29/2025. (09-10,17,24-25,10-01-25)

219-T

ALTOS CARE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719119

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: ALTOS CARE, 10511 Magdalena Rd, Los Altos Hills, CA, 94024, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a limited liability company. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): ALTOS TELEHEALTH, 10511 Magdalena Rd, Los Altos Hills, CA 94024. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: N/A. /S/ Nara Rajagopalan / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 08/22/2025. (09-10,17,24-25,10-01-25)

218-T

BAY AREA JUNK KNIGHT FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719133

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: BAY AREA JUNK KNIGHT, 5824 Falon Way, San Jose, CA, 95123, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a general partnership. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Zachary Glenn Knight, 1058 South 5th St Apt 307, San Jose, CA 95112, Andrew Charles Steinberg, 5824 Falon Way, San Jose, CA 95123. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: N/A. /S/ Zachary Glenn Knight / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 08/25/2025. (09-10,17,24-25,10-01-25)

217-T

CUPIDLY FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719376

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: CUPIDLY, 809 Cuesta Dr Ste B PMB 5043, Mountain View, CA, 94040, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: an individual. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Jonathan Ziyuan Liu, 809 Cuesta Dr Ste B PMB 5043, Mountain View, CA 94040. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 07/21/2025. /S/ Jonathan Ziyuan Liu / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 09/02/2025. (09-10,17,24-25,10-01-25)

216-T

COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA PETITION OF HAYDEE GUTIERREZ SANTIAGO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME 25CV470669

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner: Haydee Gutierrez Santiago filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: a. Miliano Santiago Garcia

Proposed Name: a. Miliano Gutierrez Santiago

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING 10/14/2025 at 8:45 a.m. Room: Probate (b) The address of the court is: 191 North First Street, San Jose, CA 95113.

3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Los Altos Town Crier Date: 07/16/2025 /s/ LE Jacqueline Duong Judge of the Superior Court (09-10,17,24-25,10-01-25)

214-T

COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA PETITION OF DAVID KNIGHT, SOYOUN PARK ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME 25CV473768

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner: David Knight, Soyoun Park filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: a. Mi Ah Rose Knight

Proposed Name: a. Miah Rose Knight

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

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213-T

First Choice Business Brokers San Francisco Bay FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719316

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: (1) First Choice Business Brokers San Francisco Bay, (2) First Choice Business Brokers Silicon Valley, 100 S Murphy Ave Ste 200, Sunnyvale, CA, 94086, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: a corporation. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): SF Bay Business Sales inc, 100 S Murphy Ave Ste 200, Sunnyvale, CA 94086. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 05/31/2024. /S/ Michelle Koblas / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa

Clara County on 08/28/2025. (09-10,17,24-25,10-01-25)

212-T

JR CAR AUDIO FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. FBN719222

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: JR CAR AUDIO, 1097 S First St, San Jose, CA, 95110, Santa Clara County. The business is owned by: an individual. The name and residence address of the registrant(s) is (are): Agustin Nieves Jaimes, 458 Beth Dr, San Jose, CA 95111. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on: 01/07/2024. /S/ Agustin Nieves Jaimes / This statement was filed with the County Clerk Recorder of Santa Clara County on 08/27/2025. (09-10,17,24-25,10-01-25)

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EVENTS

Los Altos Main Library. All events held in the main library, 13 S. San Antonio Road, unless otherwise indicated. **Monday Meditation & Mindfulness**, 10:30 a.m. Mondays, Los Altos Main Library, 7 p.m., Woodland Library, 1975 Grant Road. **Poetry Community Hour Open Mic**, 7 p.m., first Monday of every month; **Meditative Banig Drawing**, 11 a.m. Oct. 3. Join Kenneth Tan, author of "Crescenciana: A Memoir in Words and Illustrations," for an engaging class on drawing banigs – traditional Filipino woven mats. In this beginner-friendly workshop, you'll explore a variety of line patterns inspired by Filipino weaving and tattoo designs. You'll then apply these patterns to create your own distinctive banig illustration. This creative process is not only accessible to all skill levels but also offers a calming, meditative and enjoyable experience. **¡Viva! at the Library Featuring Singer/Songwriter Diana Gamos**, 7 p.m. Oct. 8. This intimate and up-close performance features original songs and melodies that celebrate the cultural richness and vibrancy of Mexico and Latin American countries. Diana Gamos immigrated to the United States as a teenager, has released two albums of original music in both Spanish and English, and has been recognized by NPR's Tiny Desk concert series.

Wildlife Fair, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 4 at West Valley College, 14000 Fruitvale Ave., Saratoga. Free, family-friendly event featuring speakers, art workshops, bioblitz, nature walks, wildlife, informational tables and more to celebrate the Santa Clara Valley Bird Alliance's centennial. For more information, visit scvbirdalliance.org/centennial-celebration.

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Los Altos History Museum. Love history and working with kids? Become a Los Altos History Museum school tour program education docent. Share local history with 3rd & 4th graders on weekday mornings this spring. Attending an orientation Oct. 23 recommended. Training begins in November. Must be 18+. Apply: losaltohistory.org/education/student-tours.

OBITUARY NOTICE

MARY ANNE LONEY



July 14, 1934 –
September 19, 2025

Mary Ann (Kube) Loney, our beloved wife, mother, sister and friend, has begun her first day in heaven. She is preceded in death by her son Gregory Loney, her grandson Evan Loney, her sister Joanne Lukes (Gibilisco) and her parents Florence Lukes and Carl Kube.

She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Kevin Loney, her brother Carl Kube, sister Betty Weaver, brother Michael Lukes, sons Daniel (Mandee) and William Loney and daughters, Theresa (Al) Casarez and Vivian (Allan) Gallant, daughter-in-law Joan Weber Loney as well as ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mary Ann was born in Wichita, KS, the first child and grandchild, and was surrounded by the love and support of doting grandparents, aunts and uncles. She shared a special bond with her Grandmother Rose who taught her "God will provide". When, at a young age, Mary Ann lost her father in WWII, she leaned upon the strong faith emanating from her grandmother, and it buoyed her up through many other challenging times of her life. An accomplished pianist, Mary Ann attended Notre Dame de Namur University on a music scholarship. After college she married her college sweetheart, Kevin Loney, and taught 3rd grade. Together they started a family in San Francisco, but later relocated to Los Altos where Mary Ann became involved in St. Williams Parish where she was an active volunteer in the CCD program, the annual rummage sale, as well as a member of the choir. Later she began painting in acrylics and writing—tangible expressions of Mary Ann's sunny and grateful life philosophy. She truly has been a blessing to all her who knew her.

The Loney Family would like to acknowledge and thank the staff at Villa Siena Assisted Living for the consistent, loving care given to Mary Ann. We appreciate what a difference that you have made to

Mary Ann's quality of life. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Villa Siena Foundation would be appreciated. Friends and Family are invited to attend services for Mary Ann on Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the chapel of Villa Siena.

ROBERTA ROBERTSON



November 18, 1947 –
September 22, 2025

A proud native of Stockton, CA, Roberta Williams grew up with her brother Robert and two loving parents, Earle ("Bob") and Edith. Valedictorian at Lodi High School, "Susie" was a dedicated, lifelong student of piano and music more generally. At Stanford University, she studied abroad in Florence, Italy, and earned a Bachelor's degree in Music in 1969 and M.A. in Music Education in 1970.

She met her husband of 50 years, Frank Robertson of Palo Alto, through the Stanford Band in 1965.

Roberta received her teaching credential in 1970 and was soon hired to teach music across the Los Altos School District, where she dedicated 43 years to teaching vocal music, orchestra, strings, brass, and guitar. Former students of all ages would often recognize "Mrs. Robertson!" across town and beyond.

She retired in 2012 to pursue traveling, gardening, ballroom dancing, playing piano, swimming, walking the neighborhood, and spending time with grandkids and friends.

She was the life of the party and her smile could light up any room.

"Blondie" is survived by her husband Frank, children Angela and Anthony, grandchildren Maya, Ella, and Linden, and at least 30,000 former students whose lives she enriched with music.

A celebration of life is being planned, with details to be announced at <https://everloved.com/life-of/roberta-robertson/>

JEFFREY "JEFF" VADASZ



August 12, 1965 –
September 3, 2025

Jeffrey "Jeff" Vadasz, 60, passed away on September 3, 2025, in Los Altos, California. A devoted husband, accomplished engineer, and passionate enthusiast, Jeff leaves behind a legacy of innovation, laughter, and love.

Born August 12, 1965, Jeff grew up in Los Altos, California. He graduated from Awalt High School in 1983 and Oregon State University in 1988. Jeff's professional highlight was at Broadcom, where he played a part in the development of 802.11 Wi-Fi technologies—advancements that continue to shape how people connect across the globe. His colleagues knew him not only for his technical accomplishments but also for his leadership, enthusiasm and collaborative spirit.

Outside of work, Jeff found joy and inspiration through travel, cycling and landscape photography. These were not solitary pursuits for him; they were avenues for camaraderie, shared adventure and creativity. Whether conquering one of his many endurance rides or capturing the perfect shot, his joy came as much in the shared experience as in realization of his goals. Those who knew him will remember his warmth, infectious smile and quick wit—he loved to laugh and delighted in making others laugh along with him.

Jeff faced Corticobasal Syndrome and Alzheimer's disease with courage and resilience. Jeff was grateful to all who supported him during the last few years - his medical team, caregivers, devoted friends, and, especially, his loving family.

He is survived by his beloved wife Diane Schmidt; his parents Leslie and Judy Vadasz; his brother Dave Vadasz and sister-in-law Yoshiko Nishimura; nephew James Vadasz; and niece Katie Vadasz. He was preceded in death by his grandparents Gail and Sally Young and Gyula and Maria Vadasz.

In lieu of flowers, the family

requests that donations may be made in Jeff's memory to CurePSP (www.psp.org) to help fund research into neurodegenerative diseases. A celebration of Jeff's life will be scheduled at a future time so that friends and family may gather to honor his memory.

LELA CORKERN



June 25, 1941 –
August 31, 2025

Lela was born in San Jose and attended college at University of the Pacific, where she served as president of her sorority Delta Delta Delta and was recognized in Who's Who. Lela loved the SF Giants, 49ers and Warriors and never missed a game. Her passion for real estate kept her busy. Above all, Lela was a devoted animal lover who cherished her beloved pets.

She will be remembered for her warmth, kindness, and ability to listen with compassion. Generous, authentic, genuine and inquisitive Lela always wanted to hear what you were up to and never forgot your birthday. She had a timeless sense of style and was always beautifully put together.

Lela was preceded in death by her loving parents John and Audrey Knight. She is survived by her devoted husband Willis, her beloved sons John and Dan, her cherished daughter Amy and her granddaughter Katie.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to California Dachshund Rescue- scdr.org.





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