

Crazy about
convergence

Stylish design triumphs as tech gadgets become more ambitious, integrated into lifestyle

by Allen Clapp

Last time it was a buzzword, “convergence” was a gathering of forces and energies that were supposed to enrich our lives and change the world in the late 1980s. The so-called Harmonic Convergence did see the end of Apartheid and the fall of the Soviet Union.

But in today’s “convergence of new media” the word is getting so much ink it’s hard to believe it was ever associated with anything other than Podcasts, instant videos of anything and everything on YouTube, or telephones that take pictures and send e-mail.

To the tech-savvy, it means computers and smart devices are finally making good on all the wonders that the digital revolution has been promising for the past decade or two.

To the average consumer, it means finally being able to watch a movie on your cell phone, or build a mobile, shareable library of your favorite music or photos.

And now, to the fashion mavens among us, it means cool tech gadgets have become the latest in wardrobe accessories.

New micro-music players are designed to be seen — and worn — as well as heard. Bluetooth cell phone earpieces are being integrated into sunglasses, and cameras the size of cigarette lighters are becoming de rigueur equipment for documenting this beautiful life.

High-fashion jewelry and clothing incorporating nanotechnology devices are close behind.

Portable technology has always had its place in the higher echelons of hipness. Transistor radios were

ubiquitous in the mid 1970s.

The brightly colored plastic and chrome boxes were personal and kept listeners in touch with everything from the Top 40 to baseball games.

At the dawn of the 1980s, the Walkman took us one step closer to the concept of personalized playlists and two steps away from the shared experience of public airwaves. Cassette technology wasn’t perfect, but two albums worth of music would easily fit on a 90-minute TDK.

In the later part of that decade, we entered the early stages of the digital revolution. CDs replaced cassettes and records. The promise of better sound and smaller technology was beginning to pay off.

But it wasn’t until Palo Alto’s Steve Jobs and his maverick computer company, Apple,

released the first-generation iPod in October of 2001 that things really heated up. While the company didn’t invent the idea of storing and playing back mp3 files on a portable hard drive, the integrated package of design, ease-of-use features and capacity in that first iPod changed how people listen to music.

For the first time, music was tiny.

Previous music-delivery devices could never be smaller than the music media itself. A Walkman could never be smaller than the size of a cassette tape; a portable CD player had to accommodate a compact disc. Several intermediate technologies rushed in to enter the space race, notably minidisc players and digital audio tape (DAT) players.

But nobody stole the market like the iPod, which currently boasts about a solid 75 percent share of the portable, digital music player market.

It was a concept not lost on Jobs and company. When the first iPod debuted, billboards sported an image of a 72-minute CD tower-

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Mommy Bloggers go fashionista



Sophisticated Silicon Valley mothers try reintegrating with the world of fashion, with mixed results and real-world challenges

by Tekla S. Nee

moms have issues with fashion. Women spend decades figuring out a fashion identity, getting to know their bodies and understanding what styles work and what styles don't.

And then she becomes a mother. Her whole fashion personality gets smashed to pieces. Her familiar wardrobe goes into the back of the closet and front and center comes maternity wear.

And maternity fashion? Let's just say it's an oxymoron.

After childbirth either nothing she owns fits (shoe sizes grow, previously flat bellies are saggy, so-called perfect figures are no longer anywhere near perfect) or it's completely impractical (nursing, baby spit). So she spends a few years — or more — in baggy T-shirts that are easy to nurse in and wash. Sometimes she wishes she had a different look, but she's not sure what that look should be.

That's why, when earlier this month the Silicon Valley Moms Blog invited our member bloggers and other local moms to meet with a personal shopper at Nordstrom, moms filled the joint.

The Nordie's shopper promised to tell us how to dress stylishly in clothes we could wear while chasing kids, sitting on the floor or hauling groceries — and which we could throw in the washer with

everything else.

That is, how to make our dreams come true. Sure, some of us said we didn't expect to get more out of the evening than a free cookie and a few laughs. But deep down we all hoped for some magical answer that would give us a practical yet up-to-the-minute fashion identity.

After a 90-minute presentation, most of us fled. We had kids to bathe, laundry to fold. We didn't get a chance to talk amongst ourselves. But we had a lot to say when we met later that week at our Silicon Valley Moms blog site (svmomms.com), a six-month old Palo Alto-based blog. (The whole conversation is at: http://svmomblog.typepad.com/silicon_valley_moms_blog/sv_fashion/index.html.)

We talked about what we want from the fashion industry. Here are the basics:

- Shoes that look good but allow high-speed kid chases
- Tops that are fitted but not clingy and don't have cleavage-revealing necklines.
- Pants that stretch so moms can sit on the floor without hosting a peep show.
- Clothes that hide post-pregnancy bulges.
- Fabrics that are machine-washable and last and last.

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form vs. function

ing over a 1,000-song iPod. But the billboards quickly shifted to be less about the technology and more about the style. Last week, Apple announced a new line of iPods at three price ranges, making three different fashion statements. The new Nano resembles a smaller, sleeker iPod Mini, (discontinued in 2005) with colored, rounded anodized aluminum exterior replacing the easily-scratched black-and-white Nanos of yesterday.

The new Shuffle, which resembles a brushed-aluminum matchbook, is designed to be worn: a clip is even designed into the body of the product. And then there's the iconic, white, click-wheeled wonder: the new fifth-generation iPod, boasting a brighter screen, new games and more capacity.

So why the iPod? Why not the Dell DJ or the ZEN by Creative Technology?

It turns out, design is more than skin deep. The iPod is the physical counterpart to iTunes, a free music organizing and jukebox program for Mac and PC. The integration of the software and hardware is what makes the iPod so elegant, and so stylish.

Sure it's beautiful, but it actually works: a product whose elegant design is as elegant as its user interface. Or maybe it was just the signature white earbuds. Cameras, finally freed from the need to house a film canister, are shrinking to fit the digital age. Lenses, shutters, CCD sensors and batteries are crammed ever more tightly and elegantly into tiny chrome enclosures that fit neatly in a shirt pocket, a high-tech

equivalent of a pack of cigarettes. The team of Panasonic (electronics) and Leica (lenses) have produced Lumix — both cameras and images are beautiful to behold. Canon's IXUS series, Casio's Exilim and Sony's Cyber-shot lines are also offering classy combos of style and substance.

There is a counter-trend: the overloaded cell phone.

Nowhere has the form vs. function debate been more contentious than it

has in the cell phone industry. As manufacturers increasingly add music players and megapixel cameras to the already overloaded set of cell-phone features, these tiny, sleek fashion accessories suddenly become unwieldy monsters.

It's a near impossible design problem for a package smaller than a computer mouse.

In response, LG Electronics recently introduced Chocolate, a phone that combines iPod-like touch pad navigation with a slide-out keypad for dialing. It doesn't bring any new features to the table, but it's at least grappling with design as a solution to bringing all that functionality to the surface without burying it in layers of submenus.

And it looks great, too.

So did last year's thinline Razr from Motorola. This year, they've upped the ante, introducing a gold Dolce & Gabbana edition with a host of after-market accessories: the latest being matching Bluetooth eyewear option consisting of gold Oakley sunglasses with a wireless earpiece attractively attached to one temple.

Now, this side of a surgical implant, that's convergence. ■

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■ Sweaters that don't pill from holding a child constantly and don't stretch out from tugs from little hands.

■ Style that doesn't scream "Fashionista!" at the park but doesn't shout "Dumpy mom!" at a nice restaurant.

And we talked about what we loved and hated about this season's fashions.

Skinny jeans came in for a lot of abuse. Skinny jeans, meaning stretchy jeans that are form fitting from the waist to the ankle, are a fashion staple right now. These jeans are so tight that it's sometimes hard to get a foot into the leg. Or, as one blogger put it, "so tight that my dad used to say he could tell what year the quarter was in my back pocket."

Here's what moms had to say about skinny jeans:

"I mean really. Does any normal woman ever, ever look at her backside and think, 'Wow, what I really need is SMALLER jeans?'" I think not," commented Christina.

"They make my legs look like drumsticks," commented a mother who goes by the screen name,

"skinny jeans must die"

"Hey Mom."

"Unless you're a size 0, you NEVER-EV-AH wear these. And if you are a size 0 and had kids, don't wear them to avoid us 'larger' mummies beating you up at the park," warned Robyn.

"Skinny Jeans? If you ever had to get horizontal on the bed, suck in your stomach, and grab the zipper pull with pliers so you could shimmy into your Calvin Klein's or Gloria Vanderbilt's, consider this your hall pass," blogged Elle-Belle.

"Oh please. Some trends were never meant to return. The skinny jeans must die," wrote Courtney.

Except for skinny jeans, moms said they love jeans in general. They're a wardrobe staple for which moms will pay big bucks; \$200 is worth it, they say, if the jeans are comfortable and make their butts look good.

"All moms need non-mommy-looking jeans; this is worth your investment dollars," blogged Jill.

Leggings are another current fashion trend moms love to dis. "They may be warm, comfortable, etc., but they really aren't healthy," blogged Sarah. "Leggings just invite yeast infections."

"No self-respecting Silicon Valley Mom should be seen wearing this," blogged Pamela, referring to a miniskirt and leggings. "We don't care how skinny you are, you are a mother and you no longer have the right to wear leg-

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Then came ruching. The moms attending fashion night weren't sure if ruching is a broad trend or just something for moms with belly issues. But we saw a lot of ruching, that is, tight shirts of sheer fabric gathered along the side seams so bunches of fabric cover the front — and, theoretically, hide bunches of post-baby skin underneath.

Good concept, but after about the tenth ruched shirt we were retching from ruching — something about all those fluffs of fabric was a little too much.

"There's got to be a better way to disguise my less than perfect midsection," wrote Pamela.

As for shoes, ballet flats are back, which moms either love or hate. Jimmy Choo stiletto boots are also in style, and the Nordie's shopper promised that, at \$850, they're so well designed they feel like walking in flats. (Given that they're the price of a major home appliance, we figured they better be.)

"I am thrilled that my flat shoes are finally in style," wrote Pamela.

"What's up with all of these flat shoes? Practical, yes, but designers have been ignoring the straight male perspective here. I can picture it now: 'Honey, why don't you put on that black lace teddy and your ballet flats and come into the bedroom?'" blogged Sarah.

"Jimmy Choo boots would look great on me, and unlike Pamela, I can walk in heels! Yippee! Almost choked on my bottled water when I heard the price ... but will get

them anyway," blogged Jill.

"I love boots," wrote Hey Mom. "But what I really need are shoes that can be applied and removed while standing, preferably without putting down the Toddler. I'll stick to slide-in sandals until the weather gets so cold that my toes turn blue."

The biggest news flash of the evening — the 1980s are back. Our Nordie's personal shopper brought out outfit after outfit that sent us back there — when some of us were stylish young professionals or still in college, and none of us were moms.

If you're trying to picture 1980's fashion: think Flashdance, Madonna, Annie Hall. Think layered shirts, denim skirts and legwarmers. Whether we loved 1980's fashion (that would be me, I'm mentally stuck in the '80s; I never threw out my legwarmers, I'm sure they're in a box in the attic somewhere) or hated it, the trip back in time got us all thinking about getting dressed to go out instead of getting dressed to clean up Playdough.

"I was cool in the '80s," blogged Pamela. "My Madonna clothes would be quite chic today, right on down to the little black ankle boots. Those were the days. However, you will not see me sporting ankle boots this year, I would look like some crazed middle-aged elf!"

"The '80s were a good decade for me fashion-wise," blogged Katie. "The short skirts showed off my long legs, and the shoulder pads camouflaged my cleavage chal-

lenges. Maybe I'll jump on (this) fashion train."

Another news flash: black is the new black. Big relief, given that last year, brown was the new black, and no one knew what to wear with it. Some concern, though: What do you do with the brown left over from the brown-is-black year?

"I just hope it's the same old black that's already in my closet and not some funky, expensive black," commented Hey Mom.

Big bags are in style. Really big bags. Shoulderbags that look, well, like diaper bags. This trend is not going to be a problem for Silicon Valley moms; for once, mom-style is ahead of the curve.

Of course, moms can't talk about fashion without talking about their "issues" about fashion.

"Not only do I not care about fashion, I can't care because I don't have time to shop anymore. Even if I did have the time to care about fashion, I haven't been able to lose the (final) baby weight. I've been stuck in fashion limbo," blogged Elspeth. And, sadly, "Even if we remotely dress up someone comes up and rubs their sand and water-covered hands all over us."

"It is hard to care about fashion if you are convinced you should live in Hawaii, and really want to wear only a tank top and shorts," blogged Stephanie.

"I don't like being told what to wear," blogged Pamela. "I am happy wearing my black and grey, my unflattering cropped wide leg pants. I do not care if leather is in, I am not wearing a leather jacket over a sequined tank unless I have a guest role in the Sopranos."

"What's the point of fashion?" blogged Valerie. "Five days out

of seven you are a carpooling blur. ... Virtually no one sees you, and, if they did, it's because they are home sick vomiting on you." Valerie's solution is to stay in workout clothes all day, "in part to create the illusion that you have hopes of getting to the gym, but also to minimize the time it takes to escape to the gym, should an opportunity arise."

After the Nordstrom event, and our on-line chat, a few moms actually did a little wardrobe updating. One mom had her own mother tighten up the ankles on a pair of jeans. And she bought a long T-shirt, which she now knows she should wear with a wide belt. Another bought a bubble skirt — and her husband thought the hem was stuck on something.

Four more went for complete outfits — new dark-washed (but not skinny) jeans, longish T-shirts, and short structured jackets. And I dove into the dark recesses of my closet and brought forth a few

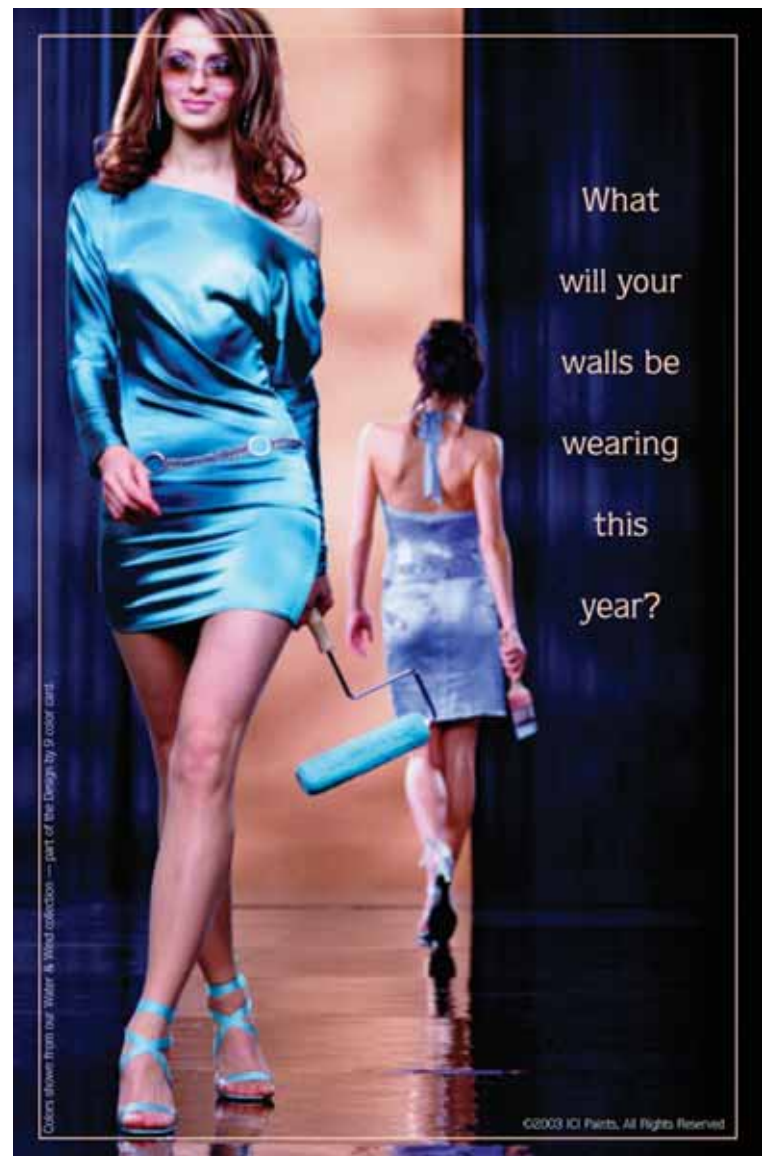
outfits I'd tucked away at the end of the '80s.

But most moms that went to our evening at Nordies were content just to know what's in style, for the moment, anyway.

Blogged Pamela: "I love to see the trends and what I am supposed to be wearing. Then I go home and put on and hug all my unflattering, too large, mostly black wardrobe. But you had better believe that I will be in the front row at the next trend show."

"Never met a trend that I couldn't find a fault with." ■

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Community

NEWS OF LOCAL PEOPLE AND EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Woodside college student helps fight AIDS in Africa

By Kate Daly

Special to the Almanac

In the fall when most students are headed back to campus, one local student is trying to contact more than 85 campuses with a nationwide campaign to fight AIDS.

Jonny Dorsey, 21, of Woodside is taking a second year off from his studies at Stanford so he can continue in his role as executive director of a volunteer organization he help found last year called FACE AIDS. The organization, which raises money to fight AIDS in Africa, is largely run out of his mother's home in Woodside.

The group's goal is to mobilize students in every state to raise \$250,000 by year's end and increase awareness — "put a human face on AIDS," he says.

So far the group has focused on college students and finding corporate sponsors to match donations, but on September 28, for example, Dorsey will take his campaign to Menlo School and share his message with a high school audience.

"For only \$140 a year you can treat HIV... so few people have access to treatment, it's disgusting," Mr. Dorsey says.

He speaks passionately about the subject after learning many

of his facts first hand. During the summer of 2005, he and two other Stanford students volunteered to work in a refugee camp of 24,000 in Zambia.

The students realized very few people had been tested for HIV, and that the ones who had tested positive lived in shame. In some cases, HIV-positive parents were too ill to continue working, putting a strain on their families, and forcing young children to drop out of school to support them.

"In a refugee camp HIV is in many cases a symptom of poverty, where people trade sex for food," Mr. Dorsey says.

His organization set up support groups in Mwanze and Meheba refugee camps in Zambia. The group pays people in the camps to make white beaded pins with the AIDS red ribbon symbol.

The pins are sold in the U.S. to donors for \$5 apiece, and then matched by challenge grants.

The funds raised are given to Partners in Health, an organiza-



Photo by Kate Daly

Jonny Dorsey of Woodside aims to mobilize students to raise \$250,000 by year's end.

tion based in Boston that has a clinic in Rwanda.

Mr. Dorsey may be taking time off from school, but when he returns he will be majoring in human biology with a concentration in international health and

infectious diseases. He says he would like to continue managing a nonprofit once he's done with college.

"My adviser has pushed me to stay out of school rather than come back because this is where my heart is," he says.

He hopes that within the next year he will find another equally committed student to pay to act as executive director for FACE AIDS, so he can return to school.

He may also have to fill the CFO slot when fellow Stanford student, Chris Wheat of Atherton, graduates. They were classmates together at Sacred Heart Preparatory.

Last month Mr. Dorsey attended the International AIDS Conference in Toronto. In October, he will host some 400 students from across the country at the FACE AIDS Leadership Summit at Stanford.

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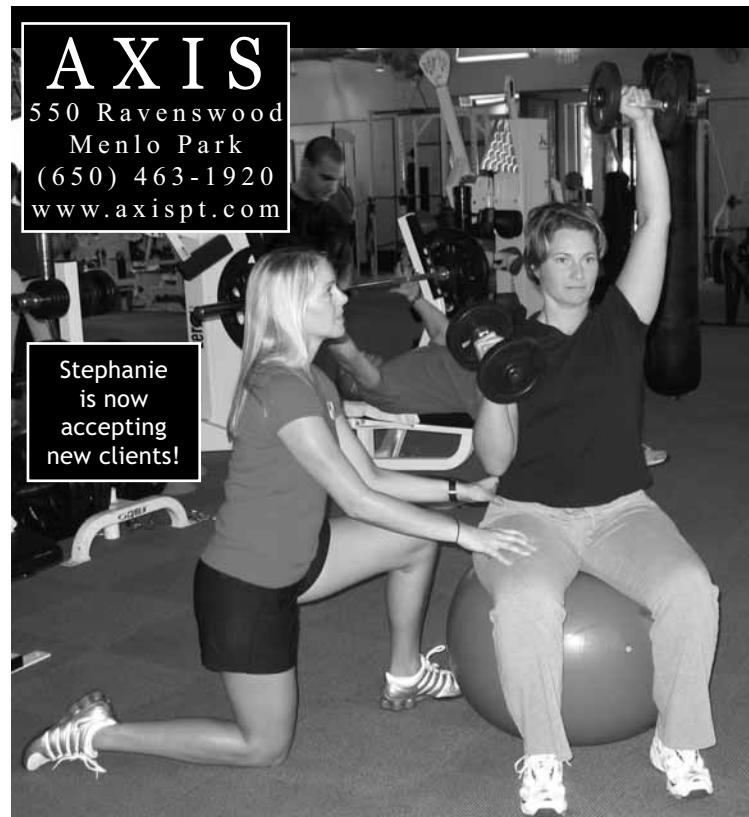
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Mr. Lane, who is both a trustee of the foundation and an honorary ranger in both national and state parks, is being honored for promoting volunteer efforts in parks.

Besides celebrating state parks through his years as publisher of Sunset magazine, Mr. Lane established the Ranger Lane Volunteer Enhancement Fund at the foundation; this has made grants of more than \$200,000 to volunteer programs, according to the press release.

Also being honored at the gala are employee volunteers from Pacific Gas and Electric Co.

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Hikers, bicyclists: meet Ridge Trail

A first-ever event will introduce hikers, bicyclists and horseback riders to the Ridge Trail in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties on Saturday, Oct. 7.

Registration is open for the Peninsula's first Cruz, modeled on a popular event in Marin County. Cruz? "It's a pun. We'll cruise along the Ridge Trail," said Karen Kidwell, development director for the Ridge Trail Council, which is building a 500-mile trail along the ridges ringing San Francisco Bay.

Three hundred miles of the trail are open for use.

The Cruz will offer events for eight different groups, from families with kids to rigorous hikers and bicyclists.

Hikers will meet at the Skyline Ridge Open Space Preserve parking lot on Skyline Boulevard, about a mile south of the Page Mill Road intersection. Buses will shuttle people for a strenuous 26-mile hike, or a milder 13-mile hike. Volun-

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teers will staff rest stops, and it will be possible to bail out if you get tired, Ms. Kidwell promised.

There will also be shorter hikes for families. Bicyclists will have a choice of five options, and eques-



Bill Lane

trians are welcome also to use the multi-use trail that has been designed to accommodate all users.

The Cruz is being sponsored by the Ridge Trail Council with the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, and ROMP (Responsible Organized Mountain Pedalers). REI has donated startup funding and prizes; it will host a tech station for bicyclists.

Advance registration at \$30 is required. Volunteers are welcome.

To sign up. Call 414-561-2595, or go to ridgetrail.org.

Meeting on restoration of the salt pond

People interested in the massive project to restore the salt ponds ringing South San Francisco Bay to tidal action are invited to a Stakeholder Forum on Wednesday, Oct. 4, from 1 to 4 p.m., at the Sunnyvale Library, 655 West Olive Ave.

Primary topics will include decision-making for how the project is governed and managed, and updates on specific projects and their funding.

For information, go to southbayrestoration.org.

In October, there will be two tours of the salt ponds around Menlo Park: on Saturday, Oct. 7, from 10 a.m. to 12, and Sunday, Oct. 22, from 2 to 4 p.m. Tours leave from Bayfront Park at the end of Marsh Road. Reservations are required.

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Afghan diaspora revealed in photos

Afghani refugees in northern Iran are the subject of photographs by Diane Tober, an anthropology researcher from the University of California at San Francisco. She's presenting a slide show and talk about her work and experiences at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3, at the Atherton library, 2 Dinkelspiel Lane. Ms. Tober is working on a book about her experiences in Iran with her two sons. Call the library at 328-2422 or go to smcl.org.



Diane Tober

Burgess pool center has new defibrillator at the ready

The Burgess Aquatics Center in Menlo Park is now equipped with a small, easy-to-use device to treat sudden cardiac arrest — an automated external defibrillator, or AED.

Tim Sheeper of Menlo Swim and Sport, a private contractor who operates the city-owned facility, purchased the unit from the Sequoia Healthcare District at the district's discounted rate.

The publicly funded district, through its HeartSafe Program, plans to place more AEDs in high-priority areas in its communities, according to a press release issued by the district.

Burgess has three pools — two large and one for children — and high traffic volume. Some of the exercise programs cater to older adults.

"These brand new pools just opened this summer and we already average 500 swimmers each day," said Mr. Sheeper. "Our lifeguards have been trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and automated external defibrillators. It is essential that we respond quickly to any medical emergency

that may arise."

"We came out to the pool and delivered a refresher course to the lifeguards about recognizing sudden cardiac arrest and trained them to operate this easy-to-use device. It's so simple and works by the press of a button," said Pamela Kurtzman, HeartSafe Program coordinator.

People are 20 percent more likely to experience sudden cardiac arrest during or immediately after exercise, according to a spokeswoman for the district. Currently the survival rate for victims is only 5 percent; early defibrillation is key to survival, she said.

Recently a lifeguard in Pleasanton responded quickly with an automated defibrillator to revive an adult swimmer who had collapsed immediately following his swimming race, she said.

The AED is designed so that anyone can use it. It's smaller than defibrillators used by paramedics and hospitals, and gives verbal instructions; it's safe to use because it will not shock a heart that is not in cardiac arrest.

Here's your chance to draft a law

State Sen. Joe Simitian, D-Palo Alto, has launched his sixth "There Oughta Be a Law" contest, where people are invited to suggest ideas for new state legislation.

A couple of key pieces of legislation recently signed into law, including one on elder financial abuse, came from entries in this contest.

"Some of the best ideas I hear for new legislation come directly from folks in the community,"

Sen. Simitian said. "If you ever thought, 'hey, there oughta be a law about that,' how is your chance to be heard?"

The winner or winners will have their ideas introduced as legislation and will be invited to testify at a hearing in the state Capitol on their bill. They will also get to have lunch with Sen. Simitian and receive a California state flag that has flown over the Capitol.

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Menlo Park teen wins national paralympics swim event

Joe Wise, a 13-year-old eighth-grader at La Entrada Middle School in Menlo Park, has a respiratory condition that prevents him from doing any physical exercise but swimming. But Joe is making the most of his opportunity in that sport, surprising both doctors and other competitors by becoming one of the country's best paralyzed swimmers in any age group.

He won the 400-meter freestyle at the U.S. Paralympics National Championships in San Antonio on August 10 in the S10 Classification, the most physically able grouping. He was the youngest swimmer in his race,

according to his mother, Marie Wise, and is ranked 17th in the world in the event — not among juniors, but overall.

Joe suffers from Mitochondrial Myopathy Muscular Dystrophy, a disease that wears away at his muscles and has brought his pulmonary function to only 34 percent of its capacity, Ms. Wise said.

He began swimming six years ago to expand his lung capacity because he was suffering from asthma at the time. In 2003, doctors told him that swimming was the only sport he could do, and he now swims five to six days a week with

Palo Alto Aquatics and coach Mark Taliaferro.

Ms. Wise said that doctors have been amazed at Joe's feats because generally, kids with his disease at such an advanced state are confined to wheelchairs and use respirators full-time. Joe uses a respirator at night and for two hours a day, and is joined by friends when he uses it at lunch, Ms. Wise said.

She added that he is currently training to make the U.S. Paralympics Para-Pan American team for the 2007 games, and that he also hopes to qualify for the 2008 Paralympics in Beijing. ▀



Joe Wise won the 400-meter freestyle at the U.S. Paralympics National Championships.



The club's over-35 men's team won the California International League title in June. Players shown are, back row, from left, Tony Vertongen, Noah Epstein, Jorge Titingier, Mark Gardner, Robert Lane, Chris Sigler, Chris Bryant, Chris Conroy, David Tuck, Chris Manlove and Scott Sweeney; and front row, from left, Mark Manzano, Shawn Medved, James Santana, John Rodhouse, Laird Caigan and Gordon Smith.

Portola Valley Soccer Club wins league title

Over-35 team a bonding experience for Portola Valley friends

By Sean Howell
Special to the Almanac

When Bobby Lane returned to Portola Valley in the fall of 2004 after spending more than 15 years living in Seattle, he wasn't sure how he would fit back into the community he had grown up in.

Within a few weeks of returning home, he got his answer in the form of phone calls from a few of his childhood friends. They encouraged him to join the

amateur soccer team they had founded, an Over-35 team in the Portola Valley Soccer Club (PVSC).

"They just took me in," said Lane, a goalkeeper. "They really give the feeling that they're a family-type team."

The club was founded in 1995 by Chris Bryant, Chris Conroy, Scott Gardner, Tony Pirslin and David Tuck, who were looking for a way to play competitive soccer while keeping in touch with friends.

"We founded it based on the idea that when you play with heart, you play harder," Conroy said.

That idea has spawned four competitive teams under the umbrella of the PVSC, playing at the highest levels of amateur soccer in the Bay Area, as well as a co-ed team that plays during the summer.

The Over-35 team plays its games on Sunday and practices on Thursday nights at Risotti's field next to the Alpine Inn on Alpine Road. A number of the team's founding members initially helped raise money to renovate the field, according to Bryant.

This year, the team won a title in the California International League, which consists of 10 clubs from around the Bay Area.

It posted a 13-2-3 record and captured the championship on the season's final day with a tie against second-place Alborz.

"We had a fun night after that," said Lane, who added that the team usually goes to local restaurants or bars following practices and games.

Those post-practice get-togethers are a large part of the overall experience, Conroy said.

"I think a lot of the guys play as much for the exercise as for the social aspect, just sitting down for a burger and a beer next door at the Alpine Inn. I think a fair number of them wouldn't be

playing if not for that."

Though its players do enjoy the occasional brew, this is not your standard beer-league soccer team. Most of its members competed in college or professionally before joining up, and Conroy said that its reputation has piqued the interest of a number of former Major League Soccer players. One of its members, Shawn Medved, played with DC United and the San Jose Earthquakes during his MLS career.

But to Conroy, the team's success still goes back to the reason it was initially founded.

"We're a quality team because we play with enthusiasm and we enjoy playing with each other," he said. ▀

Calendar

MEETINGS, MUSIC, THEATER, FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Submitting your information

Information for Calendar listings must be submitted online. Please go to www.PaloAltoOnline.com, click on "Master Community Calendar," and then click on "Submit a listing." If you have questions, call Renee Meil at the Almanac, 854-2626. After hours, press zero and leave a message for Renee. **For more Calendar listings, go to PaloAltoOnline.com, and click on "Master Community Calendar."**

Highlights

"Indies Under Fire: The Battle for the American Bookstore." The documentary chronicles the effect of giant book chains on the country's independent bookstores. Producer/director Jacob Bricca Sat., Sept. 30, 6:30 p.m. Free. Menlo Park Presbyterian Church, 950 Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.mppc.org

Ragtime Pianist Richard Zimmerman in Concert. Sept. 27, 7-9:30 p.m. \$20/\$18 Stanford alum and seniors/16 and under free. First Baptist Church of Menlo Park, 1100 Middle, Menlo Park. Call 323-8544.

"What Gives Us Hope in a Troubled Time?" Three-part series discussing alternatives to rapture theology for courage to live in threatening times. Presented by Rev. Dick Roe, minister, ethics professor and community leader. Sun., Oct. 1, 5-6:30 p.m. Light refreshments provided. See website for more information. Donations welcome. Ladera Community Church, 3300 Alpine Road, Portola Valley. www.ladera.org

9th Arts and Olive Festival. Sun., Oct. 1, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Free. Canada College, 4200 Farm Hill Blvd., Redwood City. Call 306-3428. www.olivefest.org

Talks/Authors

"Romantic Authorship in the Library." "Romantic Authorship in the Library for Reading: Writing to Customers and Friends." Melissa Frazier, Sarah Lawrence College. Sponsored by CREEES and Slavic Languages and Literatures. Sept. 27, 4:15 p.m. Free. Building 40 Room 41J, Stanford. http://creees.stanford.edu/PublicEvents_Sept06.html

Aminatta Forna "Ancestor Stones." Acclaimed memoirist Forna glides into fiction with this sweeping portrayal of the lives of five Sierra Leonean women. Thu., Sept. 28, 7:30 p.m. Free. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.keplers.com

Captains of Peninsula Industry. Peninsula historian Michael Svanevik examines the personalities and discusses the industrial contributions and singular lifestyles of the men of power. Series tickets: \$30 members/\$40 non-members. Single tickets: \$15 members/\$20 non-members. Wednesdays, Oct. 4-18, 2-3 p.m. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. www.filoli.org

Go to the Opera. The Opera Guild presents Simon Wilson lecturing on Wagner's "Tristan & Isolde" Oct. 3, 7:30-9 p.m.; Eric Mills discussing Rossini's "Il Barbiere di Siviglia" Oct. 24, \$10. Little House, 800 Middle Ave., Menlo Park. Call 326-2025. www.peninsulavolunteers.org

Lee Smolin, "The Trouble with Physics." Lee Smolin argues that physics, the basis for all other sciences has lost its way. Wed., Sept. 27, 7:30 p.m. Free. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.keplers.com

Lolly Winston, "Happiness Sold Separately." A bittersweet romantic comedy. Fri., Sept. 29, 7:30 p.m. Free. Kepler's

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Neil Gaiman: Fragile Things. Oct. 3, door open at 7:15 p.m.; between 6:15 and 7:15 p.m.; reception outside on the Plaza with light refreshments. Local authors/illustrators of several graphic novels will be signing their books during the reception. Tue., Oct. 3. Free. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.keplers.com

VC Taskforce Global Alliances and Strategic Collaborations. Thu., Sept. 28, 8:30-10 a.m. \$35 VC Task Force members/\$45 affiliates/\$65 general. Heller Ehrman, 275 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. Call 968-1304. www.VCTaskForce.com

Auditions

Stanford Savoyards Auditions. The Stanford Savoyards, affiliated with Stanford University, announce singing/dancing auditions for Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Sorcerer." Prepare one song in English and wear clothes to move in. Sept. 25 and 27, 7-10 p.m.; Sept. 29 7-8:30 p.m. for new students. Braun Rehearsal Hall, 541 Lasuen Mall, Stanford. www.stanford.edu/group/savoyards

Exhibits

11th Annual Great Glass Pumpkin Patch. Features a display of approximately 5,000 glass pumpkins of all colors, sizes and shapes by 30 California glass artists. Glass blowing demos on-site. Exhibition: Oct. 3-5, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Oct. 6, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sale Oct. 7, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Oct. 8, 1-5 p.m. Free. The Palo Alto Art Center, 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto. Call 329-2366. www.cityofpalooalto.org/artcenter

Art and Multimedia Faculty Exhibit. Six Canada College art and multimedia faculty members will display their latest works through

Oct. 7, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Free admission. Canada College, 4200 Farm Hill Blvd., Woodside. Call 306-3343. www.canadacollege.edu

Bay Area Wildlife Art Exhibition. An exhibit of bay area wild critters captured in paintings, photos and drawings by local artists and school children. Through Oct. 1. Free. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. www.filoli.org

Chasing History: Art and Provenance. Exhibition highlights the research conducted on several paintings and the results of the investigation. Wed.-Sun., through Nov. 26, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. Cantor Arts Center, Museum Way and Lomita Dr., Palo Alto. museum.stanford.edu

Menlo Art League Fall Exhibit. Participating artists include Marcia Enns, Lindsay Hogue, Carol Lai, Joyce Barron Leopard, Marge Shatsky, Geri Wolfinger. Through Sept. 28, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Allied Arts Guild, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park.

The Photographs of Leo Holub. Over seventy black and white Leo Holub photographs from the Anderson collection will be on display showcasing formal poses and candid studio shots of major artists such as Ellsworth Kelly, Roy Lichtenstein and Edward Ruscha. Through Oct. 29, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. Thomas Welton Stanford Art Gallery, 419 Lasuen Mall, Stanford. art.stanford.edu

Community Events

22nd Palo Alto Weekly Moonlight Run & Walk. For runners, athletic groups and families. Prize giveaways and refreshments. 5K walk begins at 7:30 p.m.; 10K run begins at 8:15 p.m.; 5K run begins at 8:45 p.m. Deadline to pre-register is Sept. 29. See website for details. Oct. 6, 6-10 p.m. \$20 pre-registration before Sept. 29/\$25 day of event. Palo Alto Baylands Athletic Center, 1900 Geng Road at Embarcadero Rd, Palo Alto. Call 326-8210. www.paloaltoonline.com

San Mateo County Disaster Preparedness Day. Learn survival dos and don'ts. See first-aid, fire, SWAT, and emergency equipment demonstrations. Emergency kit and disaster plan instructions available. Free hot dogs and soda. Free gift for the first 1500 families. Sept. 30, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Free. San Mateo County Event Center, 2495 S. Delaware St., San Mateo. Call 363-4790.

Classes/Workshops

"Celebrations." Anne Patrick shows how to celebrate notable occasions using "flower power." Oct. 5, 2-3 p.m. \$15 members/\$20 non-members. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. Call 364-8300. www.filoli.org

"How to Balance Hormones Naturally." Class dispels some of the mysteries surrounding the symptoms women experience with PMS and menopause. Oct. 3, 6-7 p.m. \$10. Whole Foods Market, 1250 Jefferson Ave., Redwood City. Call 380-1999. www.healinglab.com

"Ready to Launch: Parent's Guide to Senior Year." Parenting workshop with Julie Graham. Coping with college selection and social behaviors will be discussed. Thur., Oct. 5, 7-9 p.m. \$30. Pre-registration required. Parents Place, 200 Channing Ave., Palo Alto. Call 688-3040. www.parentsplaceonline.org

Artist Access. 3rd Thursdays through Oct., 3:30-6:30 p.m. Artists and photographers have access to the gardens after hours. Limited to artists who work with watercolor, pen, pencil, charcoal, pastels and photography. No oils or acrylics. Pre-registration recommended. \$15 members/\$20 non-members. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. www.filoli.org

Botanical Illustration: Introduction to Pen and Ink. Sept. 29-30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and Oct. 1, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Participants are introduced to the basics of drawing plants through lectures, demonstrations and hands-on exercises. Includes supervised drawing to create pencil drafts. All skill levels welcome. \$180 members/\$220 non-members. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. www.filoli.org

Computer Classes. Oct. 9: "PC for beginners"; Oct. 5: "Scanning Photos"; "MS Word"; "Photoshop Elements" Oct. 6: "Internet and E-Mail." Call for starting times and more infor-

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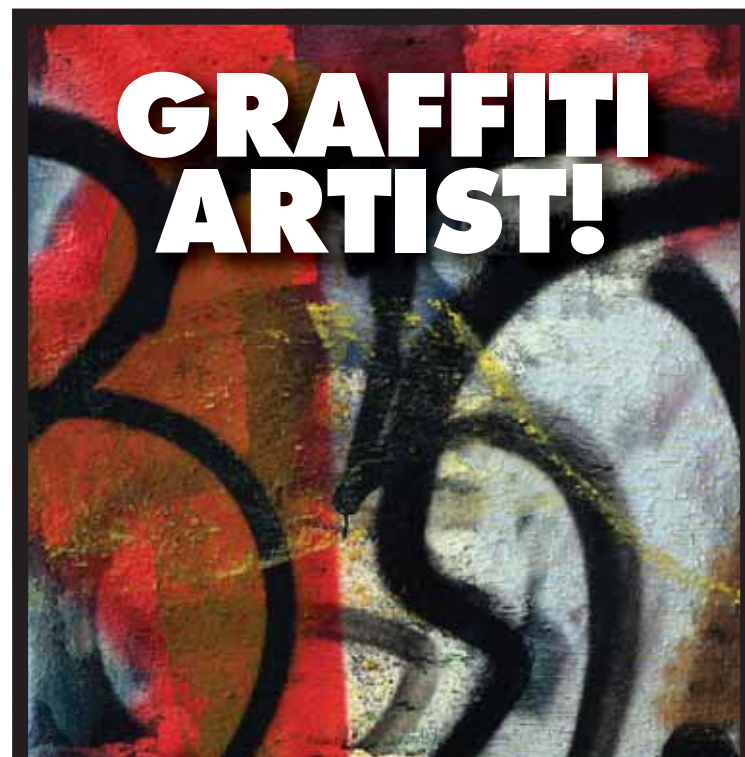
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PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. Robert Reed / Susan Siegel** **MERG 06-003**
580 Patrol Road
Review of a request to merge two lots to result in a single 2.11-acre property in the SCP-7.5 zoning district.
- 2. Debra & William Gordon** **VAR 06-002**
179 Albion Road
Review of a variance to allow a swimming pool 20 feet from the side property line when 50 feet is normally required in the RR zoning district.
- 4. Debra & William Gordon** **XSB 06-006**
179 Albion Road
Review of a setback exception to allow a spa 30 feet from the side property line when 50 feet is normally required in the RR zoning district.
- 5. McDonald Family Trust** **LLA 05-001**
408 Eleanor Drive
Request for a Lot Line Adjustment to modify the property lines of four lots so as to yield a 3.25 acre lot, a 1.72 acre lot, a 1.7 acre lot and a 1.66 acre lot in the SR Zoning District.
- 6. McDonald Family Trust** **VAR 05-007**
408 Eleanor Drive
Request for a variance to alter slopes in excess of 35 percent for purposes of constructing a road to serve three or four lots.

All application materials are available for public review at the Woodside Planning and Building Counter, Woodside Town Hall, weekdays from 8:00-10:00 AM and 1:00-3:00 PM, or by appointment. For more information contact the Woodside Planning and Building Department at (650) 851-6790.



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Self-Defense for Women. The prevention-based class covers important topics such as: "Acquaintance vs. Stranger Danger," the 5 stages of an assault, and verbal and physical self-defense options. Sept. 30, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$35. Every Woman Health Club, 611 Jefferson Ave., Redwood City. www.everywomanhealthclub.com

Clubs/Meetings

Little House Book Club. Meets the first Wednesday monthly, 1-2 p.m. Oct. 4th discussing "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" by C.S. Lewis. Free. Little House, 800 Middlefield Ave., Menlo Park. Call 326-2025. www.pensulavolunteers.org

Environment

Earthquake Hike. With docents Keith Johnsgard and Kevin Killmer. Meet at the junction of the Pacific and North American plates. Learn about local geology and earthquakes on this 2-3 mile stroll. Oct. 1, 2-4:30 p.m. Free. Los Trancos Open Space Preserve. www.openspace.org

Explorer Hike. With docents Siefken Krieger, Jim Rea, and Dennis Smith. Moderately-paced excursion of about 3-5 miles with a variety of elevation gains. Oct. 4, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Free. Skyline Ridge Open Space Preserve. www.openspace.org

Kids & Families

Colibri Singing Group. Singing in Spanish and English. For children ages 4 and up. Sept. 28, 4-5 p.m. Free. Portola Valley Library, 765 Portola Road, Portola Valley. Call 851-0560. www.smcl.org

Interactive Music in English and Spanish. Combining original songs and stories from around the world that focus on peace building and self esteem. All ages welcome. Sept. 27, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside.

Nature Hikes. Covers 3 miles of trails. Nature Docents describe wildlife, plants, endangered species, and the historical background of the area. Visitors may not hike without a Docent. Saturdays, through Oct. 27, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Free. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. Call 364-8300 ext. 507. www.filoli.org

On Stage

"Long Day's Journey into Night." A play by Eugene O'Neill. Thu.-Sat., through Oct. 22. See website for details. \$10-\$25. Pear Avenue Theatre, 1220 Pear Ave. Unit K, Mountain View. www.thepear.org

"The Underpants" by Steve Martin. Presented by Dragon Productions. An adaptation of Carl Sternheim's German satire. Martin, a comic voice, gives it a modern sensibility centering on gender politics and present-day society's infatuation with "15 minutes of fame." Through Oct. 15. Thu.-Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 2 p.m. \$10-\$20. Dragon Productions, 539 Alma St., Palo Alto. Call 493-2006. www.dragonproductions.net

"Tick, Tick...Boom." Presented by Bus Barn Stage Company. A musical look at the courage it takes to follow your dreams. Through Sept. 30. See website for show-times and ticket prices. Bus Barn Theatre, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos. Call 941-0551. www.busbarn.org

"Beehive." Presented by Palo Alto Players through Oct. 1. Wednesdays-Saturdays, 8 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m. Celebrates the entire spectrum of 60's female pop idols with rock hits. Lucie Stern Community Center, 1305 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto. Call 329-0891. www.paplayers.org

"Grand Hotel" the Musical. Book by Luther Davis, music and lyrics by Robert Wright and George Forrest, based on Vicki Baum's "Grand Hotel." Additional music and lyrics by Maury Yeston. Through Oct. 1. Thursdays-Saturdays, 8 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m. See website for ticket information. Hillbarn Theatre, 1285 East Hillsdale Blvd., Foster City. Call 349-6411. www.hillbarntheatre.org

Art Galleries

Ajna Lichau. San Francisco Art Institute graduate's debut solo show featuring photography, video and installation work. Through Oct. 14, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Free. Spur Projects, 888 Portola Road, Portola Valley. www.spurprojects.com

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At Kepler's

Lolly Winston will read from her "bittersweet romantic comedy" novel, "Happiness Sold Separately," at 7:30 p.m. Friday, September 29, at Kepler's bookstore in Menlo Park. The event is free. Kepler's is at 1010 El Camino Real. For information, call 324-4321.

ends of the universe" group exhibition, Sept. 29-Nov. 12: Open Studios: Nov. 3-5. Fri., 5:30-8:30 p.m.; Sat.-Sun., 1-5 p.m. 27 artists, painters, potters, sculpture, print-makers, art clothing, photography. Free. 1870 Art Center Gallery, 1870 Ralston Ave., Belmont. Call 261-1086.

The Main Gallery. "The Male Mystique," pastel paintings by Terri Wilson Moore and "Breathing Crows and Other Poems," sculpture and monotype by Nina Koepcke. Through Oct. 15. Gallery hours: Wed.-Fri., 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat.-Sun., 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The Main Gallery, 1018 Main St., Redwood City.

Et Alia

Palo Alto Black and White Ball. To support public schools and youth programs. Includes live bands, food from over 30 restaurants, theatrical and musical shows more.

See website for details. Oct. 10, 7 p.m.-1 a.m. \$135. Lucie Stern Community Center, 1305 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto. Call 739-9000. www.paloaltoblackandwhiteball.com

African American Heritage Quilts. "The Quilts of Gee's Bend" is the topic of a lecture by a docent from the SF Fine Arts Museum. Oct. 3, 2-6 p.m. \$1 members/\$6 non-members. Little House, 800 Middlefield Ave., Menlo Park. Call 326-2025. www.pensulavolunteers.org

Chicano Art: Slide Presentation. Marsha Holm, docent, DeYoung Museum. Slide presentation about three distinct but related exhibitions currently showing at the DeYoung that present Chicano/Chicana life, culture, and painting as it has emerged in the wake of the Chicano movement for political and social change during the 1960's and 1970's. Sept. 28, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside.

Creative Arts Day. Thu., Sept. 28, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free demos and mini-workshops. Learn about knitting, floral design, the art of scrap booking, art journaling, crocheting, lace crafts and more. Allied Arts Guild, 75 Arbor Rd., Menlo Park.

The Renovated Knoll. Talks on the history of the Knoll, former residence of Stanford presidents, and its renovation, musical performance, and tour. Speakers are Chris Chafe, Professor of Music, and Margaret J. Kimball, University Archivist. Fri., Sept. 29, 5 p.m. Refreshments provided. The Knoll, 660 Lomita Court, Stanford. Call 725-3332. histsoc.stanford.edu

Huddart Park Docents. Huddart Park's Friends program is in need of docents to lead young children on short hikes within Huddart Park a few weekday mornings during Fall and Spring. Training is provided. Sept. 26-May 15. Huddart Park, 1100 Kings Mountain Road, Woodside. Call 529-0305.

Tutor Training "Give the Gift of Literacy." Project Read-Menlo Park will hold its next volunteer tutor training session Tue., Sept. 26, 5:30-8:30 p.m. and Sat., Sept. 30, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Project Read-Menlo Park is a free, one-on-one adult literacy program of the Menlo Park Library. Free. Menlo Park Library, 800 Alma St., Menlo Park. Call 330-2525. projreadmp@literacynet.org

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MENLO PARK...Elegant, single level 5BD/3.5 BA home in W. Menlo Park's most desirable location. Completely remodeled with inviting LR, large sep. DR, vaulted ceiling FR opening to fabulous gourmet kitch. w/sunny breakfast-nook. Luxurious mstr ste. Custom stone finishes, French doors, custom cabinetry and hardwood floors. Sep. guest cottage w/kitch. & BA. Approx 750 bottle temp. controlled wine closet. Gorgeous private garden. Outstanding Oak Knoll & Hillview Schools.

ELIZABETH DASCHBACH **\$2,995,000**



MENLO PARK...Spacious contemporary new home situated on approx. .37 acre includes 5BD and 4.5BA. Thoughtfully planned and well-designed with ample use of red birch cabinets, doors and trim, travertine floors, and slab granite counter-tops. The open floorplan moves gracefully from the foyer through the formal living and dining rooms, to the kitchen with central island and breakfast nook, to the two-story family room.

BRIAN CASTLE **\$2,695,000**



MENLO PARK...Newly remod. home situated in desirable W. Menlo Park. 3BR/2BA, Mstr BR featuring French doors leading to new deck & charming garden. Remod. Kit w/granite cnts, Cherry cbnts & stnls steel appl. Vaulted ceil in LR, DR, & Kit. Lrg 2 car gar.

ARNON MATITYAHU
SABRINA LANUCCHI **\$1,295,000**



PALO ALTO...Beautiful Cape Cod style home in desirable Palo Alto location. This 4 bedroom 3.5 bathroom home features updated kitchen and bath complete with marble and granite. Added benefits include gorgeous planked hardwood flooring, grand arched doorways and handsome moldings throughout. Private backyard is highlighted with stunning landscaped grounds and covered brick patio.

JAMI ARAMI **\$3,195,000**



PALO ALTO...Prime Old Palo Alto! Charm abounds in this 4BD/2BA property. Remodeled Gourmet Kitchen, Built ins, Sun porch off LR, 3rd BD w/fireplace. New landscaping and top Palo Alto Schools.

CAMILLE EDER **\$2,800,000**



ATHERTON...Price reduced! Outstanding West Atherton value. Tucked behind a berm & private gate is this stunning contemp. 5 bd/3.5ba home w/gorgeous views. 1bd/1ba guesthouse, 1bd/1ba au pair unit, on just under approx. one acre lot, flat, private & very quiet! Landscape boasts spectacular gardens, pool, gazebo, sauna, ponds, waterfalls.

SUZANNE SCOTT **\$3,699,000**

ATHERTON

Traditional ranch home is desirable Lindenwood. 4BR/3BA home set on a generous & private landscaped lot w/fruit trees. Large backyard & deck for entertaining.

JOHN COYLE **\$3,095,000**
Beautiful central Atherton home! Menlo Park Schools! 3 Bedrooms/2.5 Baths, updated throughout with hardwood floors, granite kitchen counter-tops, new double pane windows and new landscaping. Living room with fireplace, separate formal dining room and breakfast nook in kitchen. 2-car garage.

SUZANNE SCOTT **\$1,495,000**

CUPERTINO

This spacious 5BD/3BA home has been extensively remodeled. Gourmet kitchen, Custom baths, beautiful grounds include: garden and pool. Award winning Cupertino Schools!

SHELLIE FLETCHER **\$1,499,000**

This spacious and immaculate split level unit is set in the beautiful Northpoint Complex of Cupertino. Located on a quiet cul-de-sac overlooking lush and is in beautifully landscaped grounds. It features many amenities and close proximity to commute and shopping. Cupertino schools.

CATHY MCCARTY **\$705,000**

EAST PALO ALTO

Remod 2/1 has new flrs, new appliances, new roof, new water softener. Huge bckryd w/brick built in BBQ. Fenced prop. w/additional lighting outside.

GORDANA WOLFMAN **\$609,000**

Very charming 1BD/1BA, updated, new carpet, just painted, new window coverings. Corner unit w/large patio, extra storage.

GORDANA WOLFMAN **\$279,000**

3 Bedrooms/2 Baths plus small office. Just painted and new Pergo flooring throughout.

GORDANA WOLFMAN **\$139,000**

LA HONDA

Charming, remodeled, cottage-style home w/expansive views. Custom computer center & hutch in kitchen. Stained glass inserts & open beams. New roof, Anderson bay windows.

JANET LAWSON BURR **\$525,000**

MENLO PARK

The ultimate W. Menlo Park lifestyle. 4BD suites/5BA. A magnificent property located in a sought after location bordering Atherton, yet close to downtown. A gracious one-level floor plan, abundant wrap around porches and sprawling lawns offer the perfect venue for indoor/outdoor living.

JAMI ARAMI **\$3,395,000**

This exceptional new home with 5BD and 4.5BA is located in highly desirable Menlo Oaks. The two-story open floorplan includes a chef's kitchen with travertine floors and a balcony overlooking the spacious family room. The many mature trees and lush garden, viewed from the master suites on both floors, create tranquility and peace of mind.

BRIAN CASTLE **\$2,695,000**

West Menlo Beauty! Large corner lot close to Oak Knoll & Hillview Schools. Beautiful backyard w/expansive brick patio, pool, hot tub & private patio off master BD. Hrdwd Floors, spacious kitchen, plantation shutters and so much more!

CAMILLE EDER **\$1,760,000**

Charming home 3BD/2.5BA. Great or Family room looks to large private garden w/lawn & entertaining area. Cozy den off eat-in kitchen which opens to wonderful side & rose garden. Much more, come and see!

MARIANNE HAVERTY **\$1,595,000**

Perfect country home beautifully remodeled, elegantly landscaped. 4 Bedrooms, 2 Baths. Fabulous built-in's, hand painted tile, bay windows, crown moldings, French doors. New roof. Los Lomitas schools.

JOE CARCIONE **\$1,495,000**

Dramatically remodeled townhouse in Park Forest. New Kitchen, Baths, Cherry hardwood floors, limestone surfaces. Superior lighting and finishes, all with a French flair. Common gardens & pool.

TOM BOEDDIKER **\$1,350,000**

Lovely W. Menlo condo residents 55+ only. Spac. 1BD/1BA. Recently upgraded. Gorgeous landscaped grnds w/pool. Secured bldg/parking. Menlo Cmns. Develop.

HELEN GONIA **\$369,000**

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Lovely condo in Questa Park area, ready to move in. This second floor beauty was just painted, has new carpet and tile floors. Huge balcony!

BARBARA KLEM **\$395,000**

PALO ALTO

Spacious single level home in prime Green Gables location. This 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath home boasts a large lot, pool, gazebo, patios and BBQ area for easy entertaining. New paint, refinished hardwood floors. Top Palo Alto schools.

DOYLE RUNDELL **\$2,135,000**



ATHERTON...This prime West Atherton flag lot boast of level, sunny and private land. The lot is cleared and ready to build your dream house! Menlo Park Schools.

SKIP CASHIN **\$3,950,000**

PALO ALTO

Gracious Green Acres Rancher boasting 4 Bedrooms, 2.5 Baths, Family Room with addtl. Fireplace. Outdoor living at its best with deck, patio, and lush lawn opening from the Living and Family Room. Huge lot.

NAN SIMMONS **\$1,675,000**

Beautiful 3 Bedrooms and 2.5 Baths. Gleaming hardwood floors, new carpet, granite kitchen, high-end laundry and Palo Alto schools.

CAMILLE EDER **\$949,000**

REDWOOD CITY

Rebuilt ranch style home w/ the finest finishes. 3BD/2BA Great room style living. Lux master suite w/walk in closet, double sink, Jacuzzi tub and separate shower.

JAMI ARAMI **\$1,149,000**

Charming 3BR/2BA in Farm Hill area. Open flr. Plan includes Mstr Ste w/picture window w/views of bay & city lights, FR, spacious updated Kitch w/corrian cnter tops breakfast bar. Wall to wall newer carpet, 2 car garage.

ARNON MATITYAHU **\$990,000**

This charming home set on a quiet tree lined street offers a country feel with all the conveniences of the city. Spacious LR w/fireplace adjoins dining area. Family kitch. Light & brite w/dishwasher, double oven & elec. Range. 3 lrg. BD. Carpeted & staged w/designer colors. New fixtures/floors in Kitch & BA.

CATHY MCCARTHY **\$759,000**

SAN CARLOS

Private view. Spacious 4 bedrooms, new double pane windows. 4 year old roof, hardwood flooring throughout, newly painted in & out. Green Valley view.

SALLY KWOK **\$939,000**

SAN GREGORIO

Turnkey home on the San Gregorio/La Honda border. 3BD/2BA. Open floor plan. Home oriented to rear yard and views of hills. Running creek w/water rights included.

JANET LAWSON BURR **\$885,000**

SAN JOSE

Excellent location! Nicely updated duplex w/newer appliances, carpet, fixtures, paint, front landscaping and more! Property is very private w/fenced yard, separate patio & garage. Convenient to Hwys 85 & 17.

MARY JO MCCARTHY **\$815,000**

Spacious home. 2BD/1BA added with separate entrance. Great for 2 family living.

SALLY KWOK **\$799,000**

Beautifully maintained mid-century ranch in Northwood Park. 4BR/2BA. Remodeled kitchen & baths. Gas range, hardwood flrs. Formal DR and step down LR. Nicely landscaped w/private yard.

JULIA KEADY **\$699,000**

Completely updated and remodeled. New kitchen, windows, paver driveway and patio. Excellent schools and location.

BRENDAN ROYER **\$685,950**

WOODSIDE

Desirable sunny Woodside Heights location. Newly constructed Craftsman-Style home. 4 Bedrooms, 2 en Suite, + office/library. Established vineyard, professional landscaping, horse property with pool and deck on the Woodside Trail system.

GARY MCKAE **\$5,880,000**

Central Woodside's most sought after location! Gorgeous views of the western hills from this prime, sunny, level site. Minutes from school and town. Ready to build. On sewer.

ELIZABETH DASCHBACH **\$2,550,000**

4BR/3BA with gourmet kit & wood-fired oven. Massive granite stone FP, stone deck w/panoramic views. With tennis ct, spa, stables that open to gently sloping pasture, green house, vegetable garden & lg parks nearby.

DANA CAPIELLO /STEVE GRAY **\$2,299,000**

Beautiful setting! 4 Bedrooms, 3 Baths plus separate guest quarters. Great condition, looks like a brand new home. Big Living Rm. with fireplace. Room for horses. Views of the trees and bay.

DANA CAPIELLO **\$1,875,000**

Unique Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation Design. Lush tranquil settings. Separate dome for additional living space. Ocean views from some locations on the property. Quiet, private and unique. Portola Valley Schools.

CAMILLE EDER **\$1,475,000**

Dramatic tree top view lot on lower Patrol Road. Plans for approx. 4,000 sq. ft. house are in process, design review complete. Survey, soils, geotech done. Build your dream home!

MATT SHANKS **\$1,395,000**

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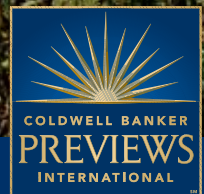
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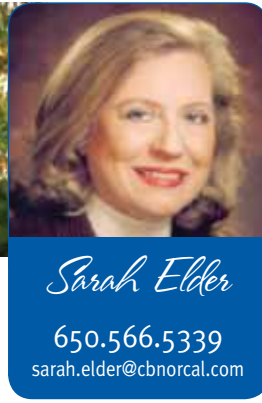
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A glimpse of the past... **\$1,719,000**
4 BR 2.5 BA 1894 College Terrace Victorian with glowing stained glass window, gorgeous parlor; some updating, many original details; FK, FR, porch.



ATHERTON

3 BR 2.5 BA **\$2,495,000**
2560 sf not incl garage or gst hse. Separate FR, bonus area & granite kitchen w/top of the line appliances. Pool, BBQ area & automatic security gate.
Natalie Comartin 650.324.4456



MENLO PARK

2 4-PLEXES IN MENLO PARK **\$2,498,000**
8 units in west MP. Two 4 plexes on 1 lot near a park on a quiet street. Nice units in good condition. Great portfolio/1031 property!
Sean Foley 650.323.7751



PORTOLA VALLEY

3 BR 2.5 BA **\$1,395,000**
One of Ladera's best locations! Large cul-de-sac lot. LR/DR combo, kitchen/FR combo. Close to Rec. Center & shopping. Las Lomitas Schools.



ATHERTON

NEW CIRCUS CLUB ESTATE! **\$20,700,000**
6 BR 4 BA Remarkable French Estate 16000sf of living space on 1+ ac of Indscpd grnds. Impeccable detail throughout. Renowned Designer/Developer Creative Habitat
Hanna Shacham 650.324.4456

STATELY GRAND ESTATE **\$15,950,000**
6 BR 4 BA 10,350sf (includes guest hs) on 1.81 ac in prime Circus Club area. This almost completely redone home is located on Atherton's most acclaimed street.
Hanna Shacham 650.324.4456

OLD WORLD ELEGANCE **\$10,900,000**
6 BR 7.5 BA Under construction French Country Manor by Bob Owen. Three levels w/ every amenity, cabana & pool on 1.1 private acre in prime West Atherton location
Tom LeMieux 650.323.7751

OPPORTUNITY AND LOCATION **\$8,490,000**
4 BR 2 BA A private, sunny, open, level lot of 1.85 acres in prime West Atherton w/ MP schls. Existing home & cottage sold in present condition. Tennis ct, pool
Tom LeMieux 650.323.7751

PRIVATE PARADISE **\$5,995,000**
5 BR 8.5 BA Three-story, Mediterranean hm on a resort-like, gated lot in West Atherton. A sunny patio links the pool, spa & tennis court. Las Lomitas Schools.
Hugh Cornish 650.324.4456

CONTEMPORARY OPULENCE **\$5,750,000**
4 BR 4.5 BA Sleek custom villa in prime W. Atherton location. Light-filled flowing floorplan w/extraordinary detail on park-like grounds w/pool, cabana & gardens.
Tom LeMieux 650.323.7751

ELEGANT HOME **\$5,495,000**
4 BR 5.5 BA Classic French Normandy estate beautifully renovated and situated on approx .86 acre in prime Lindenwood location with pool and lush landscaping.
Jim McCahan 650.851.2666

COUNTRY FRENCH ESTATE **\$5,300,000**
6 BR 4 BA Atherton address, Woodside living on 7.5 private acres in a newer custom built Country French Estate with approx 7000 sq ft of living space.
Lyn Jason Cobb 650.324.4456

CIRCUS CLUB LOCATION **\$5,299,000**
5 BR 4.5 BA Two-story, French Traditional home on a cul de sac. Lofty ceilings, hardwood flrs. Fenced garden, swimming pool, & 3 car garage. Excellent MP schools.
Hugh Cornish 650.324.4456

ART DECO STYLING **\$4,995,000**
5 BR 4 BA On 1 acre with 1 BR guest apartment w/kitchen, 4 car garage and gated driveway. Beautiful landscaping, sleek architecture, pool, and spa.
Scott Dancer 650.851.2666

PRICE REDUCTION **\$3,995,000**
5 BR 5.5 BA Two-story, Mediterranean-Mission-style home, designed in 1912 by famed architect Willis Polk and constructed around a series of sunny patios.
Hugh Cornish 650.324.4456

ACRE + PRIVATE LOT **\$3,850,000**
4 BR 4 BA Gated drive to versatile, spacious single level home with pool. 3 suites, FR, DR ++. Enjoy, remodel or redevelop. Tranquil setting with mature trees.
Nancy Goldcamp 650.325.6161

HIGH PROFILE W. ATHERTON **\$3,500,000**
4 BR 2 BA W. Atherton parcel of ~0.82 acre (per Metroscon) close to Circus Club and surrounded by large estates. Vintage 1950s ranch style house.
Dante Drummond 650.325.6161

NEW LISTING! **\$2,495,000**
3 BR 2.5 BA 2560 sf not incl garage or gst hse. Separate FR, bonus area & granite kitchen w/top of the line appliances. Pool, BBQ area & automatic security gate.
Natalie Comartin 650.324.4456

STUNNING TWO STORY HOME **\$2,345,000**
5 BR 4 BA Elegant LR w/vltd ceilings, Chefs kit, FR, frml DR, hwdw flrs throughout, gorgeous craftsmanship, exquisite mstr ste w/priv BA. Tour kerinicholas.com
Keri Nicholas 650.323.7751

BELMONT

VIEW OF HILLS/COZY HOME **\$1,150,000**
4 BR 2.5 BA Views, 2 bonus rms & loads of storage. All new redwd fence & decks, dbl paned windows, new furnace & refinished flrs.
Geraldine Asmus 650.325.6161

MENLO PARK

STUNNING WEST MENLO HOME **\$3,595,000**
5 BR 3.5 BA Gorgeous LR, DR, chef's kit w/breakfast bar, separate FR, exquisite master suite w/ priv bath. Indscpd backyard w/pool. See V tour www.kerinicholas.com
Keri Nicholas 650.323.7751

QUIET CUL-DE-SAC **\$2,795,000**
4 BR 3 BA Traditional home on large lot w/many recent improvements! Top location near S. Heart & Menlo Schl. Solar pool, grt firpln w/huge kit/FR. Hwdw floors.
Barbara Piuma 650.851.2666

PRICE REDUCED! **\$2,699,000**
4 BR 2.5 BA Fabulous Prime West Menlo flat one-half lot. Ready for you to build your dream home up to 6517 sq ft + basement + in-law (per City of Menlo Park).
Jackie Copple 650.324.4456

CLASSIC CAPE COD **\$2,150,000**
3 BR 2.5 BA Lovely, original classic Cape Cod on a beautiful 20,000 sq ft lot. Natural wood work, sep den w/FR, sunroom. Charming & well-maintained.
Steve Bellumori 650.324.4456

ALLIED ARTS-REMODELED! **\$1,495,000**
3 BR 3.5 BA Super grt rm, FR, kit w/top appliances, office, 2 lg BRs & baths up, 1BR/1BA down. Convenient location. Adjoining property for sale also! Ready to move in!
Carol MacCorkle/Tory Fratt 650.324.4456

BEST VALUE! **\$1,495,000**
4 BR 3 BA Best value! Opportunity-West Menlo! Original owner/condition with small bonus room! Lovely yards. Cul de sac!
Steve Bellumori 650.324.4456

EXQUISITELY REMODELED **\$1,449,000**
4 BR 3 BA Gourmet kitchen with granite counters, expansive limestone backsplash, top line appliances. Formal dining. Living room with fireplace. Hardwood floors
Morgan, Gault & Park 650.323.7751

PRICE REDUCTION! **\$1,385,000**
4 BR 2 BA Delightful hm approx 1900 sf. Situated in serene cul-de-sac in the sought-after MP Schl Dist. Extensive recent remodeling.
Beatrice Goodman 650.324.4456

NEW PRICE! **\$1,299,000**
3 BR 2.5 BA Beautiful and private downtown location. Approx. 1800 sf town house. Custom kitchen. Two-car garage. Lovely gardens.
Dianne and David Hamren 650.324.4456

ATTRACTIVE NEW PRICE! **\$1,195,000**
3 BR 2.5 BA Spacious, light, & very flexible 2050 sq ft flr plan offers 3+ beds (w/ possible 4+ beds) & two full baths. Amazing views! Prime location.
Hanna Shacham 650.324.4456

REMODELED SAND HILL T'HM **\$1,179,000**
3 BR 2.5 BA Come hm to this 1-of-a-kind contemporary end unit tnhm located on the golf course. This beautifully remodeled unit has grt style, attention to detail.
Doug Gonzalez 650.324.4456

BEAUTIFUL HOME & GARDENS **\$1,098,000**
2 BR 1 BA Spacious, very charming ranch on quiet heart of the Willows street. Cathedral beamed ceilings in LR with FP. Sep DR. Eat-in kit. Hardwood floors.
Morgan, Gault & Park 650.323.7751

IMMACULATE WILLOWS HOME **\$998,000**
3 BR 1.5 BA Beautifully updated & remodeled home. Eat-in kitchen with cherry cabinets & granite counters, crown molding, hardwood flrs, flagstone patio and more!
Jan Aarts & Jennifer Aarts Keenan 650.325.6161

DON'T MISS-ALLIED ARTS! **\$995,000**
2 BR 1.5 BA Great open sunny living space,kit & DR, all new kit & baths, flrs, hostess desk, charming garden,desirable location. See adjoining property. Move in cond!
Carol MacCorkle/Tory Fratt 650.324.4456



REDWOOD CITY

New Listing! New Price! **\$1,095,000**
4 BR 2 BA Don't miss this rare opportunity in prestigious Farm Hill Estates. Bay views close to 280, schools & city parks. Mature fruit trees & lovely garden area.



WOODSIDE

Great Opportunity **\$6,900,000**
5 BR 4 BA Secluded country estate w/western views. Main house is approx. 6000 sf. Pool house w/full kit. Lighted TC, pool, spa, sauna. Room for horse facility.



PORTOLA VALLEY

Sublime Tranquility **\$1,649,000**
3BR/3BA Private & airy contemporary home with soaring ceilings, spectacular Foothill Parks & Bay views, 3 BR suites, 3-car garage, & excellent P.V. schools.



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PORTOLA VALLEY

75 CHEYENNE PT. \$2,995,000
Rare find! Prime cul-de-sac setting w/Windy Hill views, desirable land, lovely oaks, custom rancher w/expansion potential. Incomparable location!
Celeste Henzel/Ellie Gross Bullis 650.851.1961



PORTOLA VALLEY

SOUGHT AFTER PV RANCH \$2,195,000
3BR/2.5BA Exquisite remodel, views of Windy Hill. Grand living room & formal dining area, kitchen w/granite & hardwood. Walk to community pools, tennis & PV schools.
Ginny Kavanaugh/Joe Kavanaugh 650.851.1961



PORTOLA VALLEY

CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION \$1,450,000
3 BR 2 BA Charm & convenience. Well maintained country home. Newer wrap around deck, patio & lawn area. Office/bonus room w/sep entrance. Freshly painted interior.
Sarah Rivers 650.851.2666



WOODSIDE

PRICE REDUCED! \$3,650,000
Approx. 3 private acres within walking distance to Woodside Town center. Picturesque lot with creekside setting and towering Redwood groves.
Jim McCahon 650.851.2666

MENLO PARK

RESIDENCE OF DISTINCTION \$895,000
2 BR 2 BA Custom condo in the convenient cosmopolitan corner called Menlo Square. Gourmet Kit, vaulted ceilings, skylights, private patios, sophisticated.
Bob Nicholas 650.323.7751

NEW LISTING! \$739,000
2 BR 1 BA 10,080+ sf lot. Clean & liveable home. Fix up or build large home. Hardwood floors. Fireplace.
Lyn Jason Cobb 650.324.4456

MOUNTAIN VIEW

JUST LISTED \$589,950
2 BR 2.5 BA Multi-level townhome close to downtown & convenient access to freeways. Attached 2 car garage, sep laundry room, freshly painted. Move in condition!
Don Yarkin 650.324.4456

TOP FLOOR CONDOMINIUM \$449,000
2 BR 1 BA Top floor condominium. Large deck overlooking pool and courtyard. Two assigned parking spaces. New carpet and paint.
Arn Cenedella 650.324.4456

PALO ALTO

ENGLISH MANOR HALF + ACRE \$8,250,000
5 BR 4 BA Exquisitely charming English manor home located on more than half acre.
Hanna Shacham 650.324.4456

10+ACS IN PALO ALTO \$5,950,000
Spectacular views of Windy Hill & Coastal range. Situated amongst rolling terrain, mature oaks, meadow grasses. Incredible, nearly lvl building site.
Hanna Shacham 650.324.4456

NEW CONSTRUCTION \$3,295,000
6 BR 4 BA Excellent design & detail throughout. Prime Community Center location. Spacious backyard/garden. Alley access to garage. Gourmet kitchen.
Hanna Shacham 650.324.4456

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY \$2,895,000
.54 acre in prime Palo Alto location - build 9 units. Great investment opportunity. Verify information a/City of Palo Alto. Award winning PA schools!
Keri Nicholas 650.323.7751

GREAT LOCATION! \$1,799,000
4 BR 3 BA Great location! 4BR home w/family room on approx 9200 sf lot. Palo Alto Schools.
John Nelson 650.324.4456

A GLIMPSE OF THE PAST... \$1,719,000
4 BR 2.5 BA 1894 College Terrace Victorian with glowing stained glass window, gorgeous parlor; some updating, many original details; FK,FR, porch.
Sarah Elder 650.324.4456

CUL DE SAC & BEST SCHOOLS \$1,498,000
3 BR 2 BA Best location on a cul de sac for this charming rancher. Chef's kitchen with Viking Range. Duvenek Elementary School. Sparkling-just move right in!!
Linda Umbach 650.324.4456

UPDATED HOME ON LARGE LOT \$1,249,000
3 BR 2 BA This warm & inviting home is surrounded by lush pvt gardens. Enjoy it's remodeled kit & romantic master suite. Close to the midtown shopping center
John Alexander 650.323.7751

NEW LISTING! \$949,000
3 BR 2 BA Outstanding opportunity to remodel or build new. Approx 7,700 sf lot per PA City at the end of a Midtown cul-de-sac. Attached garage.
Elaine White And Don Diltz 650.324.4456

PORTOLA VALLEY

CUSTOM BUILD \$5,495,000
5 BR 5.5 BA Two story Mediterranean with tile roof, 5 bdrm suites, 3 car garage, and excellent floor plan. Surrounded by large oaks, sunny open meadow.
Scott Dancer 650.851.2666

BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME! \$5,295,000
Amazing 4 acre parcel in cul de sac. Privacy abounds! Spectacular views of the Bay & Hoover Tower, adjacent to Jasper Ridge. One of PVs best view lots
Erika Demma 650.323.7751

GORGEOUS CONTEMPORARY \$4,485,000
4 BR 3.5 BA Dramatic architecture with commanding views of hills and bay on approx. 3 3/4 acres. Relaxed indoor & outdoor living. Convenient yet private setting.
Ginny & Joe Kavanaugh 650.851.1961

PRICE REDUCED! \$3,595,000
5 BR 3 BA Expansive home & gardens,Kit,w/granite & travertine.Remodeled BAs w/granite & travertine.Approx 1ac.Great loc,walking dist.to schools,shops,trails.
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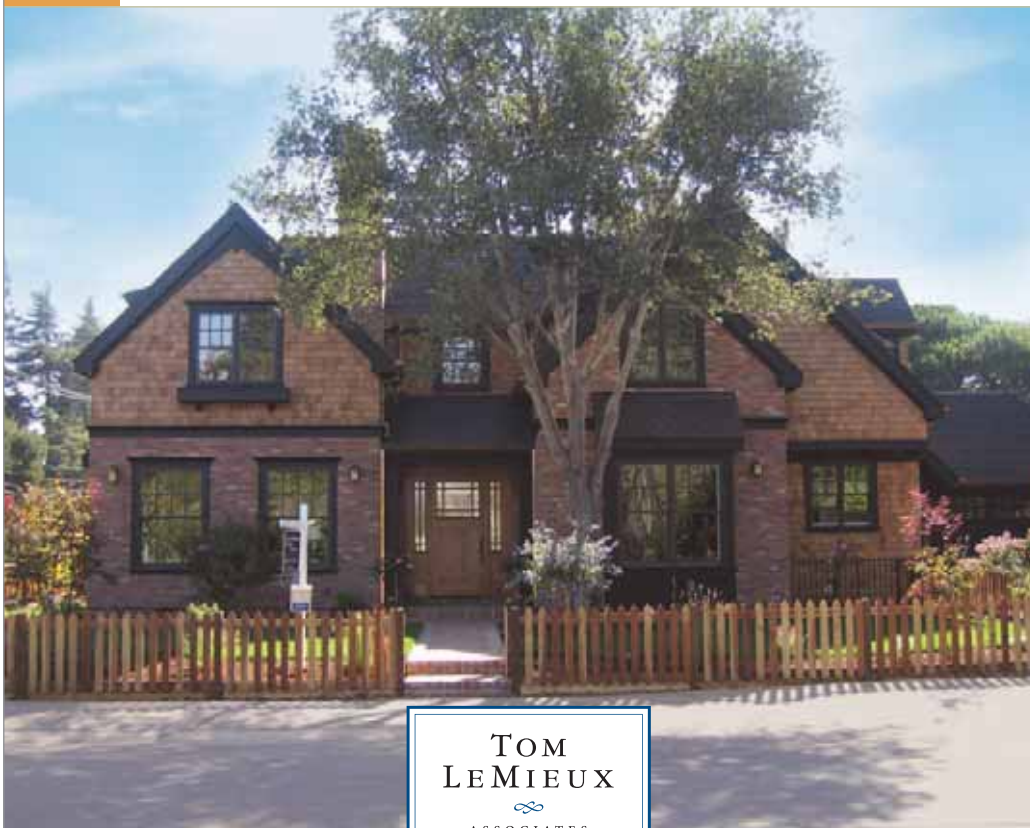
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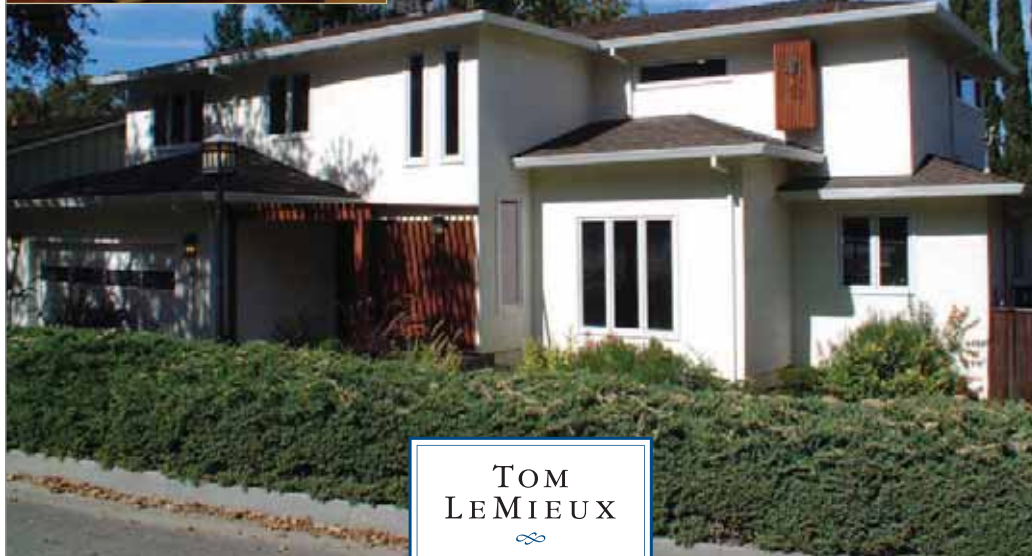
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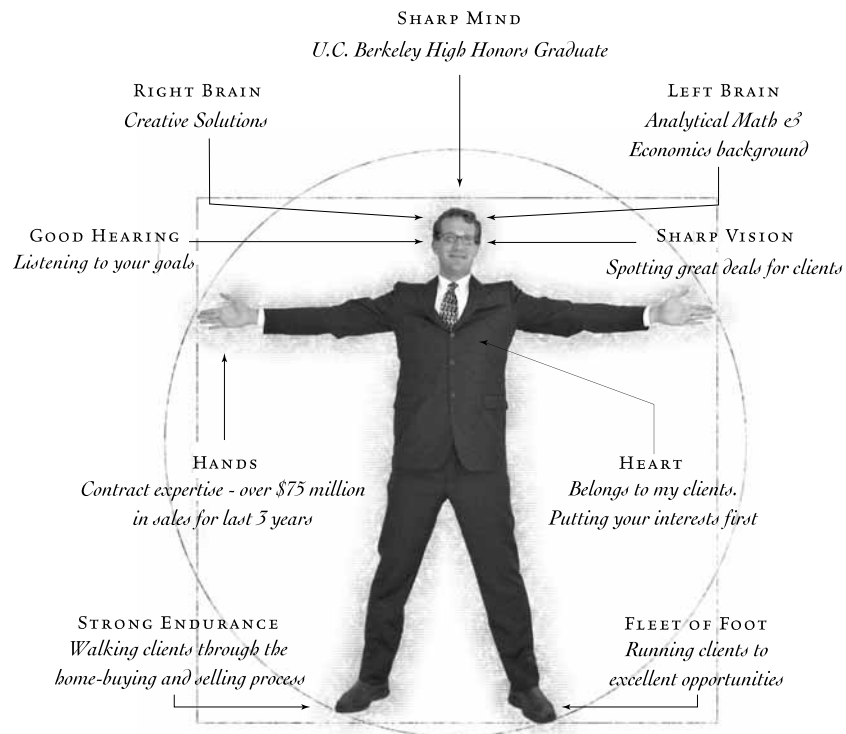


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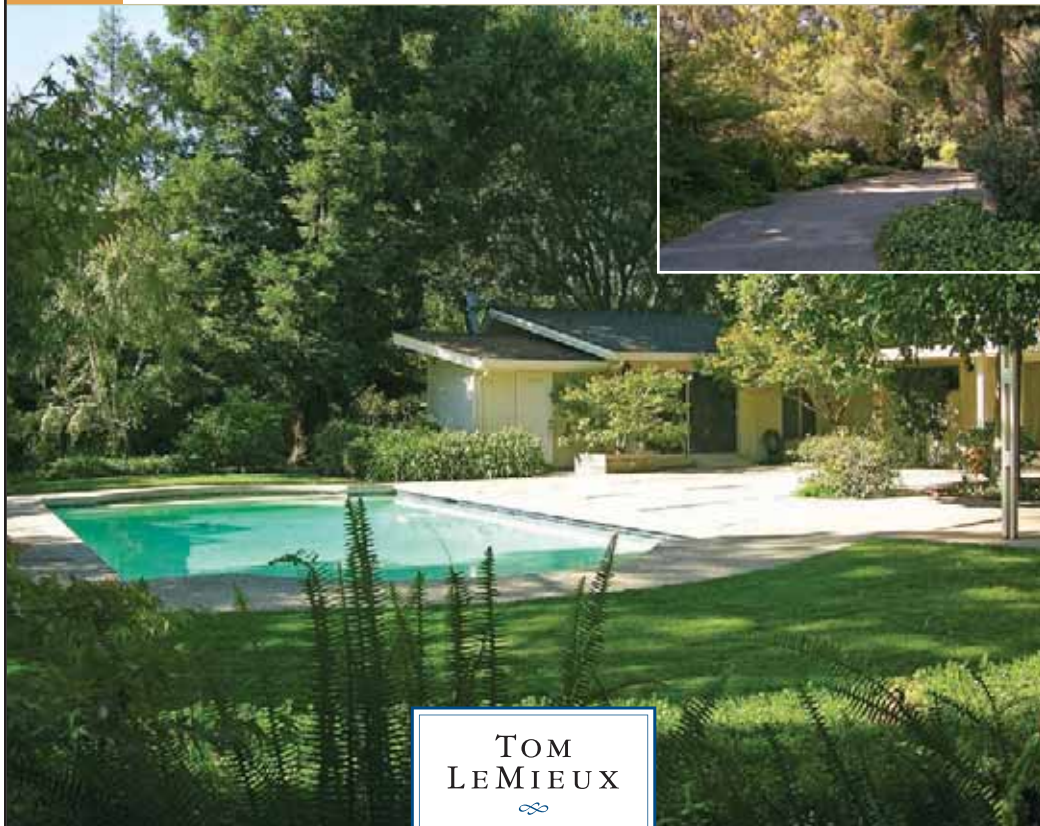
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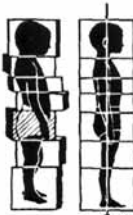
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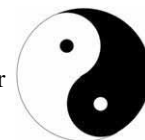


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(ENDORSED) FILED In the Office of the County Clerk Recorder of San Mateo County California September 18, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Madeleine Bruley, Deputy Clerk.
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TATAMI ROOM, 2401 Bennington Drive, San Bruno, CA 94066.
This business is conducted by an Individual: TRUMAN LAM, 2401 Bennington Drive, San Bruno, CA 94066.
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PORTFOLIO AUTO SALES, 1590 Marshall Street, Redwood City, CA 94063.
This business is conducted by an Individual: PAUL GOLDMAN, 1700 Bay Laurel Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025.
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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 215796

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SPICE HUT - AN INDIAN BISTRO, 625 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025.
This business is conducted by a Corporation: MEALS 'N' SNACKS, INC., 594 E. El Camino Real, Sunnyvale, CA 94087.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 215663

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 8 CORNERS CONSULTING, 321 Stanford Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025.
This business is conducted by an Individual: ERIC RICHERT, 321 Stanford Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 215658

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CABECEIRA CONSTRUCTION, INC., 4015 Pacific Blvd., San Mateo, CA 94403.
This business is conducted by a Corporation: CABECEIRA CONSTRUCTION, INC., California.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
(ENDORSED) FILED In the Office of the County Clerk Recorder of San Mateo County California August 23, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Patricia Fischbach, Deputy Clerk.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF MENLO PARK CITY COUNCIL APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Menlo Park, California is scheduled to review the following item:

Use Permit Revision and Variances/Sam Sinnott/1981 Menalto Avenue: Request for a revision to a use permit granted by the City Council to construct a new, one-story single-family residence with sole access from Menalto Avenue in the R-2 (Low Density Apartment) zoning district. The requested revision would allow for a new, one-story single-family residence with sole alley access. Variances are also requested to increase the allowable building coverage from 35% to 40.7%, to reduce the minimum distance between buildings in a dwelling group from 10 feet to 6 feet, to reduce the minimum rear yard from 20 feet to 10 feet, and to reduce the required distance between the rear property line and the garage entrance from 20 feet to 10 feet. A variance is also requested for the existing legal nonconforming parking situation on the front residence; this variance is not required at this time, but would be necessary for a future condominium subdivision.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that said City Council will hold a public hearing on these items in the Council Chambers of the City of Menlo Park, located at 701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, on **Tuesday, October 10, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.** or as near as possible thereafter, at which time and place interested persons may appear and be heard thereon. If you challenge these items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Menlo Park at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Documents related to these items may be inspected by the public on weekdays between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, with alternate Fridays closed, at the Community Development Department, 701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park. **Please call Thomas Rogers, Assistant Planner, at 650-330-6722 or email at trogers@menlopark.org** if there are any questions or comments on this item.

DATED: September 21, 2006
Silvia M. Vanderlinden
City Clerk

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 215685

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CAPI EXPRESS, 123 James Avenue, Redwood City, CA 94062.
This business is conducted by a General Partnership: (1) LUIS ALONZO PINEDO, 123 James Avenue, Redwood City, CA 94062; (2) REYNA ALICIA CABRERA, 2755 Wemberly Drive, Belmont, CA 94002.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 30, 2006.
(ENDORSED) FILED In the Office of the County Clerk Recorder of San Mateo County California August 24, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Patricia Fischbach, Deputy Clerk.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 215440

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: A & A LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICE, 1470 Plumas Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025.
This business is conducted by an Individual: ANGEL QUINTERO, 1470 Plumas Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 9, 2006.
(ENDORSED) FILED In the Office of the County Clerk Recorder of San Mateo County California August 9, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Madeleine Bruley, Deputy Clerk.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 215721

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CONSCIOUS COOKIES, 336 Cuesta Real, La Honda, CA 94020.
This business is conducted by an Individual: JILL KNIGHT, P.O. Box 42, La Honda, CA 94020.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
(ENDORSED) FILED In the Office of the County Clerk Recorder of San Mateo County California August 25, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Patricia Fischbach, Deputy Clerk.

SLOCUM, County Clerk by Besz DeLaVega, Deputy Clerk.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 215826

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CUSTOM GENETIC TESTING, 1455 Adams Drive, Suite 1322, Menlo Park, CA 94025.
This business is conducted by an Individual: JOHN MICHAEL IRVING, 341 41st Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94403-4305.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 22, 2006.
(ENDORSED) FILED In the Office of the County Clerk Recorder of San Mateo County California September 1, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Maria P. Perez, Deputy Clerk.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 215983

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SANTOS PAINTING AND DECORATING PROFESSIONALS, 18 Wavcrest Drive, Daly City, CA 94015.
This business is conducted by an Individual: MULINARON DIAS SANTOS, 18 Wavcrest Drive, Daly City, CA 94015.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 30, 2006.
(ENDORSED) FILED In the Office of the County Clerk Recorder of San Mateo County California September 12, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Madeleine Bruley, Deputy Clerk.
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSE

Date of Filing Application: July 19 2006
To Whom It May Concern:
BEVERAGES & MORE, INC. is (are) applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at 878 El Camino Real, Menlo Park, CA 94025.
For the following type of License: 21- Off-Sale General and 42- On-Sale Beer and Wine - Public Premises. Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, San Francisco District Office, 71 Stevenson Street, Suite 1500, San Francisco, CA 94105. Telephone: (415) 356-6500.
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PROPOSITION 65 WARNING

L-3 Communications Randtron Antenna Systems operates a facility, located at and around 130 Constitution Dr., Menlo Park, which uses and emits chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. We do not believe that any person is exposed to these chemicals at levels constituting a health or safety risk. However, we have not made a formal determination that actual exposure levels are below the Proposition 65 "no significant risk" levels for carcinogens or "no observable effect" levels for chemicals known to cause reproductive harm, and we have not performed a risk analysis to determine the precise amount of exposure that any individual would receive over a 70-year period. Proposition 65 therefore obligates us to provide this warning to potentially affected individuals. Further information may be obtained by contacting L-3 Communications Randtron Antenna Systems at 650-326-9500 Ext. 427.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE BEFORE THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (CPUC)

On September 19, 2006, California Water Service Company (Cal Water) filed Advice Letter 1785, which requests a rate increase of \$1,209,300 or 6.1% to offset increased purchased water rates from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC). The SFPUC, the wholesale supplier of treated water in the Bear Gulch district, raised rates effective July 1, 2006. Accordingly, Cal Water has filed for an increase in the Quantity Rates it charges customers for each 100 cubic feet

of water delivered from a current \$2,4826 to a proposed \$2,6775 to account for the increase in purchased water costs.

The CPUC provides two ways to respond to this notice. You can send a protest to the CPUC and, if you do, you must send a copy of the protest to Cal Water; or you can send a response to the CPUC with a copy to Cal Water if you wish. A protest is a document objecting to the granting in whole or in part of the authority sought in this advice letter. A response is a document that does not object to the authority sought, but nevertheless presents information that the party tendering the response believes would be useful to the CPUC in acting on the request.

A protest must be mailed within 20 days of receiving this notice or of the CPUC advice letter filing date, whichever is later. The filing date is the date the advice letter was put on the CPUC Calendar. The Calendar is available at the CPUC's website at www.cpuc.ca.gov. A protest must state the facts on which the protest is based, the effect that approval of the advice letter might have on the protestant, and the reasons the protestant believes the advice letter, or a part of it, is not justified. If the protest requests an evidentiary hearing, the protestant must state the facts the protestant would present at an evidentiary hearing to support its request for whole or partial denial of the advice letter. The utility must respond to a protest within five days. All protests should be sent to California Water Service Company, 1720 North First Street, San Jose, CA 95112, faxed to (408) 367-8430, or e-mailed to ratesquestion@calwater.com. If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, please call Cal Water at (408) 367-8200.

The California Public Utilities Commission welcomes your comments. If you wish to respond to this rate request, you may submit written comments to the CPUC at the address listed below. Simply state that you are writing about Advice Letter No.1785 of the California Water Service Company. If you need help, you may contact the Public Advisor's office of the Public Utilities Commission by writing them at 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102.

A copy of the California Water Service Company advice letter may be obtained by writing to its offices located at 1720 North First Street, San Jose, California 95112-4598, by emailing ratesquestion@calwater.com or from the office of the California Public Utilities Commission, Water Division, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California 94102.

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF MENLO PARK PLANNING COMMISSION

ITEM POSPONED TO A FUTURE MEETING

Zoning Ordinance Amendment, Rezoning, Planned Development Permit, Major Subdivision, Development Agreement, and Environmental Review/Sand Hill Property Company/1300 El Camino Real: Requests for the following: 1) Zoning Ordinance Amendment to allow an increase in the maximum floor area ratio (FAR) from 150 percent to 165 percent, and to allow an increase in the maximum building height from 50 feet to 60 feet for architectural features, elevator and stair towers, screening of mechanical equipment, and chimneys for up to 25 percent of the building roof area, 2) Rezoning the properties from C-4 General Commercial District (Applicable to El Camino Real) to P-D District, 3) Planned Development Permit to establish specific development regulations and architectural designs for the demolition of existing commercial structures and the construction of 134 residential units and approximately 80,000 square feet of commercial space, 4) Major Subdivision to merge existing lots and create commercial and residential condominium units, and 5) Development Agreement to guarantee development rights. The proposal requires the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) prepared for the project identifies potentially significant environmental effects that can be mitigated to a less than significant level in the following categories: Aesthetic Resources, Cultural and Paleontological Resources, Hydrology and Water Quality, Geology, Soils and Seismicity, Noise, Hazards, and Public Services and Utilities. The Draft EIR identifies potentially significant environmental effects that are significant and unavoidable in the following category: Transportation, Circulation, and Parking, and Air Quality. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires this notice to disclose whether any listed toxic sites are present at the location. The project location does not contain a toxic site pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

Copies of the Draft EIR will be on file for review at the City Library and available for distribution at the Community Development Department, Civic Center, 701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025, as of Monday, September 25, 2006. The review period for the Draft EIR has been set from Monday, September 25, 2006 through Wednesday, November 8, 2006. Written comments should be submitted to the Community Development Department no later than 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 8, 2006.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on this item in the Council Chambers of the City of Menlo Park, located at 701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, on Monday, October 2, 2006, 7:00 p.m. or as near as possible thereafter, at which time and place interested persons may appear and be heard thereon. If you challenge this item in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Menlo Park during the public review period for the Draft EIR or at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Documents related to these items may be inspected by the public on weekdays between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, with alternate Fridays closed, at the Community Development Department, 701 Laurel Street, Menlo Park. Please call Megan Fisher, Assistant Planner, if there are any questions or comments on this item. She may be reached at 650-330-6737 or by email at mefisher@menlopark.org.

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Justin Murphy, Development Services Manager
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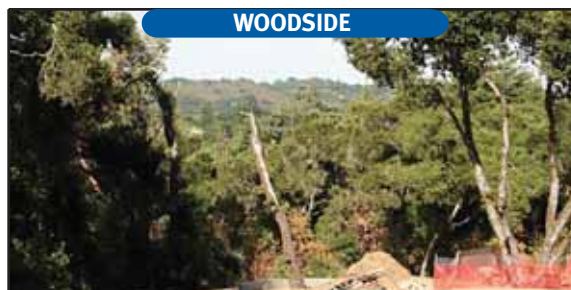
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