

Triple Triple treat

Super-chef Michael Mina comes to Kepler's to talk about his new cookbook and trio concept of cooking

While most of us don't frequent Michael Mina's famed restaurant in San Francisco's St. Francis Hotel, we can savor his unique cuisine at home with his just-published "Michael Mina, the Cookbook."

You could say it's a bargain at \$50 (Bulfinch Press), since one dinner at Michael Mina will set you back \$88 for the three-course prix fixe menu. With gorgeous photographs by Karl Petzke in 256 large-format pages, it's an ideal coffee table book or gift for a gourmet cook.

Mr. Mina was at Kepler's bookstore in Menlo Park last month to talk about his first cookbook. He was joined by Howard Bulka,

By JANE KNOERLE
Almanac Lifestyles Editor

whose own top-rated Marche restaurant is in

downtown Menlo Park. Although both are heavy hitters on the local restaurant scene, it was the first time the two had met.

Mr. Bulka acted as MC, asking Mr. Mina questions and taking questions from the audience.

Before the conversation, the audience sampled two Mina specialties: individual caviar parfaits and mini root beer floats with warm chocolate chip cookies. The food was prepared by Cassis Catering in Redwood City.

The caviar parfait recipe was a "love letter" to his wife, Diane, says Mr. Mina, who created it for her on their honeymoon in Hawaii. It consists of layers of egg salad, creme fraiche, and potato cake topped with caviar. It's delicious, but like so many of his signature dishes, not something to be whipped together at the last minute.

The root beer floats were made with root beer, sassafras ice cream, and root beer sorbet, taking the familiar A&W treat to a new level.

Becoming a chef

It is hard to imagine how Michael Mina has accomplished so much at age 38. Born in Cairo, Egypt, he was raised in Ellensburg, Washington. When he was

15, he began working at a small French restaurant in his hometown. While studying at the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York, he spent weekends working at Charlie Palmer's Aureole restaurant in New York City.

Early in his career, he was asked to work with famed chef George Morrone, executive chef at the Bel Air Hotel in Los Angeles at the time, in creating a menu for an upscale seafood restaurant in San Francisco. Aqua opened to rave reviews in 1991. Mr. Mina served as Aqua's executive chef from 1993 to 2002, when he was named the best California chef by the James Beard Foundation.

Today Mr. Mina is no longer associated with Aqua. He founded the Mina Group with partner and tennis great Andre Agassi in 2002. He now has opened eight restaurants, including his flagship Michael Mina in San Francisco, Arcadia in San Jose, and three in Las Vegas.

Food three ways

Michael Mina restaurant in San Francisco is noted for presenting one food three ways on the same plate. In his cookbook, the master recipe is followed by three flavor variations. A loin of pork is served with an orange/carrot, apple/sage, or tomato/corn combination of accompaniments.

Mr. Mina says he doesn't expect home cooks to make all three, but to try one variation at a time. The book doesn't "dumb down" the recipes he serves in the restaurant, he adds.

In his cooking, Mr. Mina likes strong flavors. He also stresses the importance of balancing

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Butter-poached Kobe beef is served with three variations: horseradish cream, mashed potatoes, cipollini onions and onion rings; baked potato, asparagus and bearnaise sauce; garlic spinach, potato cake, and seared foie gras.

Photo courtesy of Karl Petzke

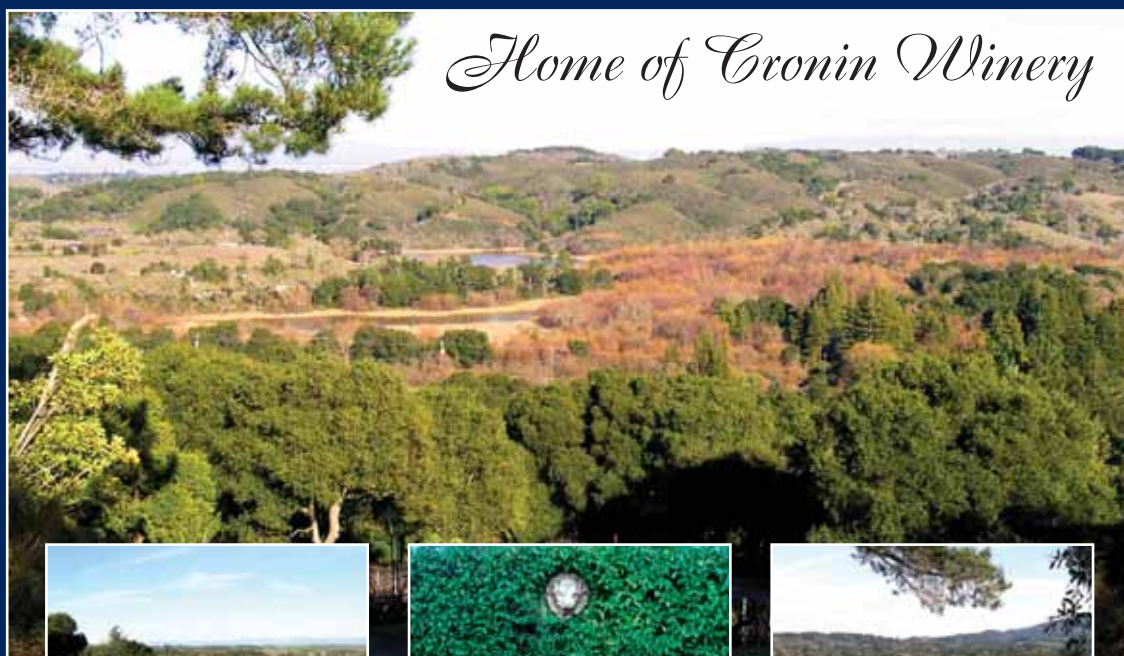


Caviar parfaits, above right, were popular with the Kepler's audience. Michael Mina, left, and Howard Bulka share a laugh at Kepler's.

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different elements in a dish, such as sweetness or acidity.

Asian food is a favorite. He says his wife and kids love sushi. He has two young sons, Sammy and Anthony, and brings one of them to work every Friday night and the other one on Saturday.

He likes to entertain, and says he created his signature lobster pot pie for a pool party at home.

Mr. Mina has included a chapter of classics: signature dishes, such as the lobster pot pie, that customers always expect to see on the menu. Other classics are the root beer float, whole fried chicken with truffled macaroni and cheese, black mussel souffle, and miso-glazed Chilean sea bass tagine.

You can see these are not 30-minute meals or entrees made



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Else Hooper samples a root beer float and pronounces it "delicious."

with five ingredients.

Everyday life

"What's your day like?" a woman in the audience asked. "I take my kids to school, then go to work at 9 a.m. First, I work on menus,

then I talk to people at each of the eight restaurants every day. The rest of the time I spend in the kitchen," he says.

His next project? A small seafood restaurant in Mexico City.

When asked who did the cooking at home, he said his wife was a good cook, "but I do it faster," provoking a laugh from the audience.

He still has a soft spot for his mother's Middle Eastern cooking and says he has to have falafel (deep-fried balls of chick peas) when he goes home for a visit.

What makes a restaurant a success? He says it's important to tie all its components together. Food is foremost, but financial savvy is needed to survive.

While Michael Mina's recipes might be daunting for all but the most confident cooks, his handsome cookbook tells us the story of this unassuming man's rise to success and gives us a delicious glimpse into the world of fine cuisine. ■

Spice Hut opens first bistro in Menlo Park

By Jane Knoerle

Almanac Lifestyles Editor

The Spice Hut Indian fast food chain has opened its first bistro with sit-down service at 625 Oak Grove Ave., in downtown Menlo Park. The restaurant is located in the space formerly occupied by Mr. Chau, a Chinese fast food operation.

Joseph Manoharan, part owner of the chain founded in 2003, says Menlo Park seemed an ideal location for their first bistro because locals would be likely to patronize a sit-down restaurant, rather than a fast food operation. Spice Hut's fast food outlets are in Sunnyvale, San Jose and Newark.

At noon, diners have a choice of a buffet (\$8.95) or ordering from the menu. In a section of "tandoori delights," chicken tikka is \$10.95, tandoori prawns are \$14.95, and ground lamb kebabs are \$11.95. There are eight chicken selections, including butter chicken and chicken pepper fry, both \$11.95.

For the adventurous, goat is featured as "mutton pepper fry" at \$13.50 or curry for \$12.95. Many dishes are south Indian specials, including several dosas (crispy rice pancakes) ranging from \$5 to \$8. There are 14 vegetarian selections.

Some Chinese dishes are also on the menu.

The young staff seems eager to please. My server helped me find my way through the buffet and identified the various dishes, which are served

from large chafing dishes.

Spice Hut's decor is very spare: white walls and white tablecloths and just a few small pictures. It seems an Indian restaurant should have some vibrant color to go with the exotic cuisine.

Spice Hut bistro, 625 Oak Grove Ave., Menlo Park. Telephone: 289-0520.

For more information, go to www.spicehut.us.

Winning cookbook

The "Tastes, Tales and Traditions" cookbook published by the Palo Alto Auxiliary to Lucile Packard Children's Hospital has been named a finalist in the general cookbook category of the nationwide Best Books 2006 book awards.

Since 1932, the auxiliary has operated Allied Arts Guild Restaurant in Menlo Park. The cookbook includes favorite recipes that span the decades, new recipes, anecdotes from the restaurant's history, and original paintings of the Allied Arts gardens.

The cookbook is for sale at Allied Arts Guild Restaurant. For more information, call 324-2588.

Sam's Chowder House

After early complaints about the service, things are settling down at Sam's Chowder House, the new seafood restaurant located at 4210 N. Cabrillo Highway, just south of the Pillar Point Harbor and

north of Half Moon Bay.

At a recent lunch, the service was swift and efficient. The New England clam chowder (\$7.95 a bowl) was authentic and flavorful. My dining partner liked the Manhattan clam chowder (\$5.95 a cup). His order of rock cod fish & chips (\$11.95) looked a little strange (the fish was almost mahogany-colored) but tasted fine and was not overdone. The fries were not memorable.

The food took second place to the stunning view on the sunny day we visited. When the sun's out, there's no prettier place for lunch on the coast. There's an outside deck and comfy

Adirondack chairs to settle in and enjoy the view.

Owner Paul Shenkman also has the highly rated Cetrella restaurant in Half Moon Bay. With time, he is solving the service problems, which seem to be caused by inexperienced young servers.

Sam's Chowder House's menu includes such appetizers as pricey shrimp cocktail (\$9.95) and Dungeness crab cocktail (\$12.50), chowders, fried seafood platters of fish and chips, crab cakes, prawns, and a combination of calamari, prawns and crab cake (\$22.95), daily fresh catch, and entrees ranging from a Maine lobster roll (\$17.95) to cioppino (\$24.95). The sides (\$3.95) include creamed local chard and roasted squash, as well as the expected Old Bay fries and coleslaw. ■

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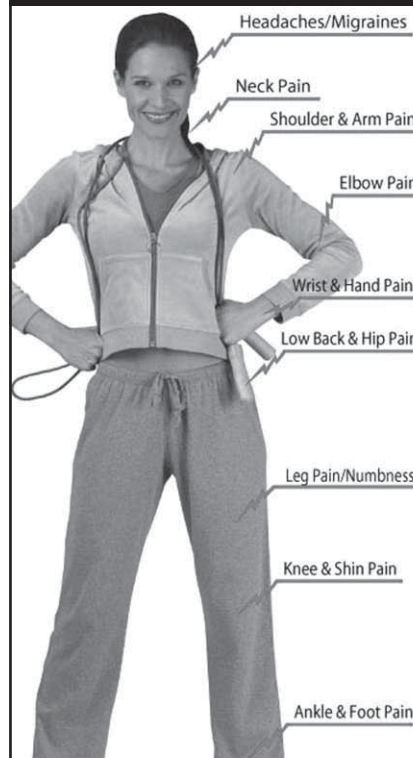
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Wine lovers finding more pressing uses for garages

By Mark Chamness

Almanac wine writer

Home winemaking has been a tradition for more than a century in California, but in recent years the hobby has been overflowing with new interest. Now hundreds of home garages have been converted into micro-wineries.

"Ten years ago there were only 25 to 30 home winemakers on the Peninsula, but today there are at least 300," notes Phil Montalbano, owner of Fermentation Frenzy in Los Altos. "During the 1997 harvest we only rented our crusher-destemmer machine three times. Now we rent three of the machines every day for over a month."

Many home winemakers are willing to invest large sums of money. For example, a crusher-destemmer machine sells for \$500 to \$1,000, a significant investment for making a few cases of wine. Surprisingly, MoreWinemaking in Concord has sold more than 200 crusher-destemmers this year.

Winemaker profile

Home winemakers are frequently older professionals, doctors, and lawyers. These individuals are often seeking a hobby that is the opposite of sitting at a desk. "They tend to be at a more stable point in their life where they can devote full attention to a craft or hobby," Mr. Montalbano says.

No gender bias exists. "Beer-making is 99 percent men, but winemakers are a lot more diverse. They are at least 25 percent women," he notes.

Winemakers are motivated by a variety of factors. Many make wine to carry on family traditions. The Portuguese, Italians, and Croatians have a heritage of home winemaking. People with scientific backgrounds are often attracted to the enterprise due to the technical challenges of the avocation. Many employees of Stanford, SLAC, and the USGS are avid winemakers.

"Winemakers have a very high retention rate — it sticks," Mr. Montalbano says. "Not many people quit after their first season. They tend to stay with it year after year, which came as a surprise to me."

"Winemakers are a serious group — they have to commit to their entire production of wine at harvest. If they make a

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Mark Chamness has been a wine-maker for 10 years and owns a vineyard in the East Bay. He lives in Menlo Park with his family. You can contact him at markchamness@yahoo.com.



mistake, then that entire batch is lost. You can't go back and get that vintage. The stakes are high."

Help for hobbyists

During my 10 years of making wine I've observed a significant increase in the number of resources available to home winemakers: more home winemaking clubs, winemaking Web sites, winemaking magazines, and dozens of new books. Every day there are new podcasts available on the Internet for home winemakers, including "Grape Radio," "Wine Making Radio," and "Cellar Dwellers — Home Winemaking."

The home winemaking hobby has advanced significantly in recent times. Some key developments include greater access to quality grapes as well as improvements in equipment. Since there are more home winemakers a greater array of rental equipment is now available.

There are two ways to get started. If you want to make wine from concentrate, kits are available for \$55 plus another \$75 for the necessary hardware, so total costs are about \$130.

If you want to make wine from grapes, you should budget \$200 for equipment plus \$125 for grapes. (Frozen grapes are available year-round from brehmvineyards.com in Albany.) Since this makes 25 bottles, the cost per bottle is about \$13. For subsequent vintages you can reuse the hardware and the cost falls to about \$5 per bottle.

Mr. Montalbano suggests, "Get a good book, find a mentor, and plan your strategy. Find the best grapes. You have to have a passion for it. Just get out there and do it. It's not that hard."

Perhaps the only difficult part will be finding space in your garage. ■

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Mozart's Coronation Mass will be presented by the combined choirs of Church of the Nativity, St. Raymond and St. Albert Churches, and St. Francis High School Chamber Choir at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, at Church of the Nativity, 210 Oak Grove Ave. in Menlo Park.

The St. Francis choir will be directed by Margaret Durando. The Rev. Msgr. Steven D. Otelini is pastor of Church of the Nativity.

Admission is \$15 general, \$10 for seniors. Proceeds will be used for Nativity School's multipurpose pavilion. For more information, call 323-7914.

Woodside Village Band

The Woodside Village Band, with Richard Gordon conducting, will present its 20th annual Christmas concert at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, at Woodside Village Church.

The program will include holiday favorites by Irving Berlin, Leroy Anderson, Gustav Holst, Leonard Bernstein, and others. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, call 851-1642.

Peninsula Women's Chorus

The Peninsula Women's Chorus will present "Carols, Lullabies, Landscapes," a concert exploring the moods of winter at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, at St. Patrick's Seminary, 320 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. Tickets are \$15-\$20. For more information call 327-3095.

■ AROUND TOWN

Holiday party at Kepler's

There will be a chocolate fountain, cookies and holiday gift wrapping at the annual holiday party at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, at Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park.

Chocolatier John Scharffenberger will read from and sign copies of his new book, "The Essence of Chocolate," at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 324-4321.

Model train show in Menlo Park

Thomas the Tank Engine and James the Red Engine will make special appearances at the West Bay Model Railroad Association's 2006 Christmas show Dec. 8-10 in the former baggage/freight building at the Menlo Park train station, 1090 Merrill St.

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Admission is free, but donations are appreciated. Raffle tickets for a new train set will be on sale at the door. The drawing will be held at the end of the show on Sunday, Dec. 10.

Show hours are 7 to 10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8, noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10.

In addition to the Christmas show, the model railroad facility will be open from 6 to 8



'Twas the Night Before Christmas

A dance and theater production, "Twas the Night Before Christmas," will be presented by Dancers Repertory Theatre and Menlo Park Academy of Dance on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 10, at 1 and 4 p.m., at Woodside High School's performing arts center. The school is located at the corner of Woodside Road and Churchill. For tickets, call 323-5292 or purchase them at the door.

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DONALD E. DORSET

Donald E. Dorset, a resident of Menlo Park, passed away November 15, 2006, at the age of 79 years, after a long and courageous struggle against dementia. Before retiring, and before becoming ill, he served as a Contracts Negotiator/Administrator for the Lockheed-Martin Corporation for 33 years, mainly in the Palo Alto Research Laboratories. Mr. Dorset had a lifelong interest in the political scene and ran for the Menlo Park City Council in 1972. Aside from Phyllis, his wife of 43 years, he is survived by a brother, David, of Orlando, Florida; M.D. his niece, Elizabeth Hospodar; a grand nephew, William Henry Hospodar, and a grand niece, Elizabeth Hospodar of San Antonio, Texas. According to his wishes, private services were held at the grave side, and he was interred at Alta Mesa Cemetery in Palo Alto, California. Memorials may be sent to the Ticonderoga High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund in care of the Adirondack Community Trust, 105 Seranac Avenue, Lake Placid, NY 12946.

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Our dear father died peacefully on November 10, 2006 following a short illness. He was four days shy of his 89th birthday. Born in Bridgeport, CT.; his father died when Bud was age three. His adventuresome Mother moved with her Daughter, and Son to

San Francisco when Bud was age seven. He lived the last 55 years in Menlo Park. Dad leaves his Loving Wife of 57 years - June, Daughters Marion Maddelein (Dennis), Marsha Trevisan (Paul), Grandson Todd

Trevisan; Nieces Kathy Merk, and her family, and Lynn Joseph, and her family, and the family of Niece Nancy Wicklund, who is deceased.

Bud served in the U.S. Navy during WWII, married his June in 1949. He was devoted to his family, and his church. Dad was a clever man, generous with his skills, and talents. He could often be found helping his friends in need.

A Memorial Service; and Celebration of his Life was held at The Church of the Nativity in Menlo Park.

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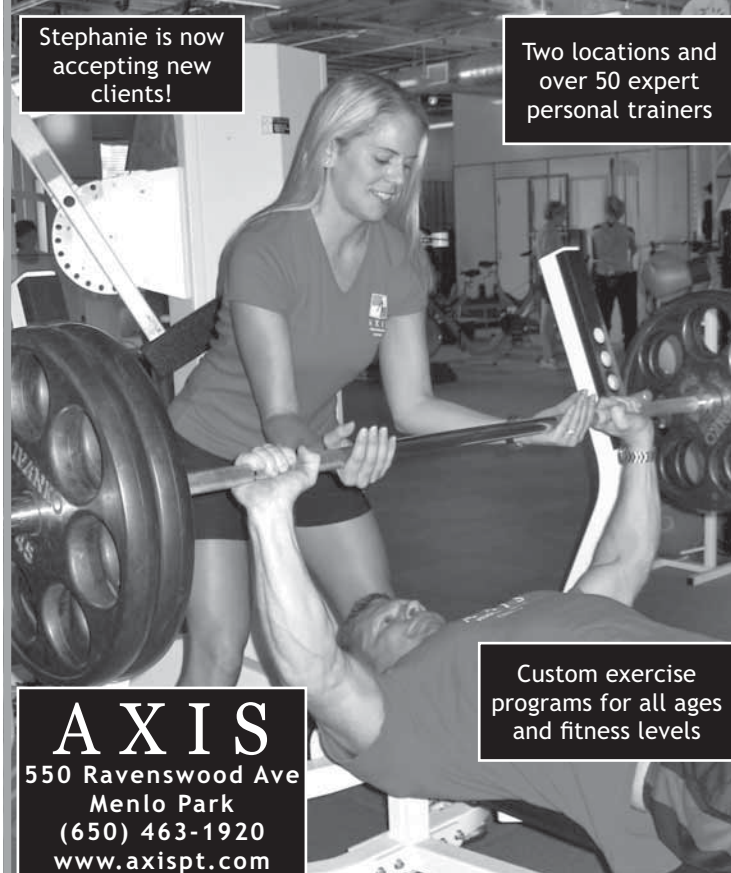
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County history focus of film

A documentary on the history of San Mateo County will have its premiere at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, at the Fox Theatre in Redwood City.

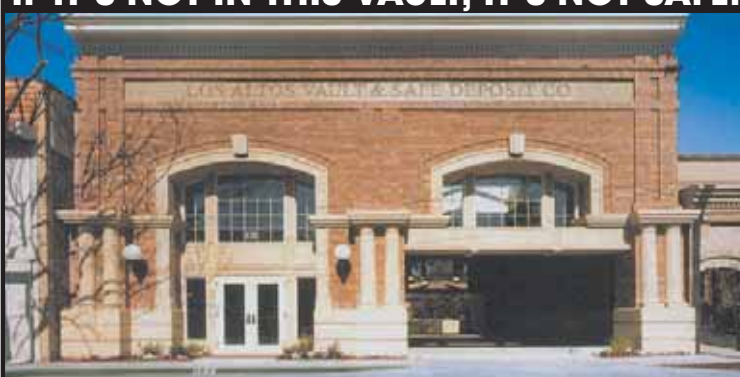
The film is part of a year-long celebration of San Mateo County's 150th birthday. Titled "Made in America: San Mateo County's Journey From Dairies to DNA," the film explores 150 years of colorful history.

It includes interviews with historians, politicians and local leaders.

The film will be followed with a VIP reception at 8:15 p.m. at the San Mateo County History Museum, 777 Hamilton Ave., Redwood City.

Admission is \$25 for the film only; \$100 for the film and reception. For ticket information, call Annie Eagan, 873-2678.

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One Warm Coat Drive. Hosted by the Girl Scout troops of Encinal Elementary School. Dec. 4-8. Donations of coats are needed. Encinal Elementary School, 181 Encinal Ave., Atherton. Call 321-7140.

Dumbarton Dialogue, Menlo Park. The Dumbarton Dialogue, a civic engagement project to explore traffic mitigations from Dumbarton Bridge and U.S. 101 impacts will meet Thu., Dec. 7, 6-8 p.m. Free. Onetta Harris Community Center, 100 Terminal Ave., Menlo Park. www.dumbartondialogue.org

On Stage

“The Learned Ladies of Park Avenue.” Presented by TheatreWorks. Set in the Jazz Age of Cole Porter’s New York. Through Dec. 23. \$20-\$60. Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.; Wed.-Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 2 and 7 p.m. Lucie Stern Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto. Call 463-1960. www.theatreworks.org

“’Twas the Night Before Christmas.” Based on Clement Moore’s poem and presented by Dancers Repertory Theatre and Menlo Park Academy of Dance. A cast of 100 dancers perform classical and traditional holiday music. Dec. 9-10. \$16 adults/\$12 seniors and children. Woodside High School Theater, Woodside Road, Redwood City. Call 323-5292. www.twasthenight.org

“Danny and the Deep Blue Sea.” Red Lantern Theatre presents John Patrick Shanley’s drama about two lonely and defensive people that forge an unlikely connection in the Bronx. Dec. 7-9, 14-16, 8 p.m.; Dec. 17, 7 p.m. \$10-\$15. Pear Avenue Theatre, 1220 Pear Ave., unit K, Mountain View. Call 274-6721. www.redlanterntheatre.com

“Keep the Yuletide Gay.” Presented by Theatre Q. Christmas comedy by Dale Albright. Through Dec. 30. Thu.-Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 2 p.m. \$10 previews/\$25 opening night/\$20 regular/\$15 seniors. Dragon Theatre, 535 Alma St., Palo Alto. www.theatreq.org

“Mrs. Bob Cratchit’s Wild Christmas Binge.” A parody by satirist Christopher Durang. Wednesdays-Sundays, through

Dec. 16, 8-10 p.m. \$22-\$32 Bus Barn Theater, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos. Call 941-0551. www.busbarn.org

“Pied Piper.” Written for preschool and primary children, performed by high-school age PACT participants. “Participation plays” based on familiar stories. Dec. 9, 2:30-3:15 p.m. \$4 children/\$8 adults. Palo Alto Children’s Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 463-4970.

“The Nutcracker Ballet.” Presented by Dance Connection of Palo Alto. Dec. 8, 7 p.m.; Dec. 9, 2 p.m. \$12-\$16. Spangenberg Theatre, 780 Arastradero Road, Palo Alto. Call 322-7032. www.danceconnectionpalto.com

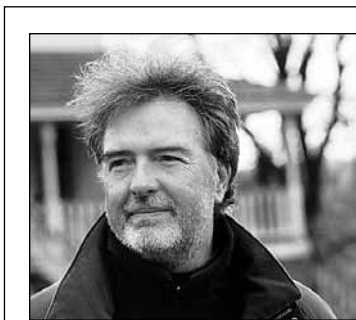
Charya Burt Cambodian Dance Company. Fri., Dec. 8, 7 p.m. A performance of dance and music will feature dancers in classic Cambodian costumes. Free. The Sequoias, 501 Portola Road, Portola Valley. Call 851-1501.

Stanford Improvisers Fall Show. Dec. 7-8, 8-10 p.m. \$5 students/\$8 general. Pigott Theater, 551 Serra Mall, Stanford. Call (617) 967-3099. simps.stanford.edu

TheatreWorks’ “Student Speak: The Playwright’s Project.” Producing eight plays written by Gunn High School students. The program gives emerging young writers the opportunity to “speak up” about their lives and their communities. Plays will be staged by local professional actors and directors. Dec. 11, 7 p.m. Free. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. www.theatreworks.org

Talks/Authors

Geoffrey Moore. Speaking on “Dealing with Darwin: How Great Companies Innovate at Every Phase of Their Evolution.” Wed., Dec. 6, 6:30-9 p.m. Free members/non-members \$25 pre-registration/\$35 at the door. Computer History Museum, 1401



N. Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View. www.svpma.org/meetings.html

John Scharffenberger “The Essence of Chocolate.” Thu., Dec. 7, 7:30 p.m. Free. Kepler’s Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.keplers.com

Art Galleries

“Beaches” Pastels by Waif Mullins. Features new works on paper of his travels to exotic islands in the South Pacific, Caribbean and Mexico. Through Dec. 31; artist reception Dec., 9 noon-4 p.m. Portola Art Gallery, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park. www.portolaartgallery.com

“Flowers, Fruit and Fungi, Trees and Travel.” Photographs by Dawn Ishimaru Frazier on display through Jan. 13. Free. Little House, 800 Middle Ave., Menlo Park. Call 326-2025. www.peninsulavolunteers.org

“Merry Art at Main.” Holiday show features contemporary art and fine crafts by 23 artists. Through Dec. 23. Holiday hours: Mon.-Fri., 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat.-Sun., 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The Main Gallery, 1018 Main St., Redwood City. www.themaingallery.org

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.”**

tions. Free. Through Dec. 5, 7:15-9 p.m. Merrill Lynch, 333 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. Call 473-7833. http://fa.ml.com/hilary_jones

Clubs/Meetings

Little House Book Club. Discussing “Emma Brown” by Clare Boyland and Charlotte Bronte. Dec. 6, 1-2 p.m. Free. Little House, 800 Middle Ave., Menlo Park. Call 326-2025. www.peninsulavolunteers.org

Toastmasters Speaking and Leadership Workshops. Wed., Dec. 6, 7:05 p.m. Opportunities for improving speaking and presentation skills. Mentors available to assist professionals individually. Menlo Park Presbyterian Church, 1177 University Dr., Room C-12, Menlo Park. Call 440-0320. www.menloparktm.org

Concerts

Mostly Mozart. Presented by Choristers from the Menlo Park area along with the St. Francis High School Chamber Choir. A program of Mozart’s music featuring his Coronation Mass. Dec. 10, 2-3:30 p.m. \$15 general/\$10 seniors. Church of the Nativity, 210 Oak Grove Ave., Menlo Park. Call 323-7914.

Schola Cantorum and Menlo Brass. Sun., Dec. 10, 4-6 p.m. 100 voices of Schola Cantorum with Menlo Brass Quintet present Brian Holmes’ nostalgic “Now is the Time,” and arrangements of Christmas music, and carols. \$22/\$18 for seniors and students. Los Altos United Methodist Church, 655 Magdalenita Ave., Los Altos. Call 254-1700. www.scholacantorum.org

Woodside Village Band 20th Annual Christmas Concert. Sat., Dec. 9, 3 p.m. Program includes seasonal works by Holst, Irving Berlin, Leroy Anderson, and others.

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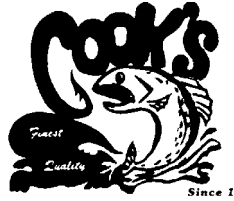
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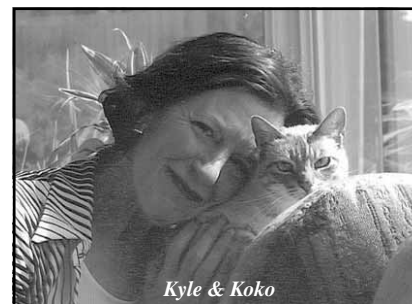
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Free. Woodside Village Church, 3154 Woodside Road, Woodside. Call 851-1642. www.windband.org/woodside/

“A Chanticleer Christmas.” Chanticleer, a capella ensemble performs a yuletide concert. Features renditions of Gregorian chant, medieval and Renaissance music, contemporary classics and carols. Dec. 12-13, 8 p.m. \$44/\$40. Memorial Church, 459 Serra Mall, Stanford. Call 725-2787. livelyarts.stanford.edu

“Ceremony of Carols.” By Benjamin Britan’s. Performed by the Church of the Epiphany Chancel Choir with Emily Bender and Mari Marjamaa, soloists, Janice Ortega, harpist, and Todd Troutman, organist. Dec. 10, 3:30 p.m.; 4:30 p.m. Congregational Christmas carol singing. Reception to follow concert. Free will offering Church of the Epiphany, 1839 Arroyo Ave., San Carlos. Call 591-0328 ext. 101. www.churchoftheepiphany.org

“Snowfall.” Presented by San Francisco Concert Chorale. An evening of carols and Christmas classics, featuring Dan Levitan on harp, including Rutter’s Dancing Day, and Wood’s Carol from an Irish Cabin. Dec. 10, 7 p.m. \$15 advance/\$20 at the door. All Saints’ Episcopal Church, 555 Waverly Ave., Palo Alto. Call (415) 840-0675. www.sfconcertchorale.org

20 Harps for the Holidays. 8th annual holiday concert presented by Harpeggio Studios. Program includes classical and holiday music, harp solos and ensembles, our studio ensemble of more than twenty

harp, and guest artist John Metras on the cross-strung harp. Dec. 9, 4-6 p.m. \$10-\$15. Los Altos United Methodist Church, 655 Magdalena Ave., Los Altos. Call (408) 366-8810. www.harpeggio.com

A Christmas Oratorio Celebrating Christ’s Life. A 60-voice choir with instrumentalists Dec. 9, 7:30-9 p.m. \$10. Ananda, 2171 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. Call 323-3363. www.anandapaloalto.org

A Service of Lessons and Carols. Presented by the Memorial Church Choir and the University Singers, under the direction of Gregory Wait. A service of carols and hymns; chants and works by Bach, Holst, and Part comprise the offerings. Dec. 8-9, 8 p.m. Free. Memorial Church, 450 Serra Mall, Stanford. Call 723-2720. <http://music.stanford.edu/events/calendar.html>

Chamber Music. New chamber works on strings, percussion, and electronics presented by graduate composition students. Dec. 6. Free. CCRMA Stage, 660 Lomita Ave., Stanford. Call 723-2720. <http://music.stanford.edu/events/calendar.html>

Foothill Symphonic Winds Fall Concert “Rejoice.” The Foothill Symphonic Winds, David B. Adams, conductor. Program features music by Shostakovich, Milhaud, Holsinger, Burkhart, Hazo, van der Roost, Leroy Anderson, Percy Grainger. Dec. 10, 2:30 p.m. \$10-\$5. Cubberley Theatre, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. www.windband.org/foothill

Peninsula Pops “Jolly Holiday” Show. The Pops with conductor Kim Venaas features holiday music made by Bing Crosby, Mel Torme and the Grinch. Guests the Bay

Bells Handbell choir. Tickets available online. Dec. 9, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Adults \$20/seniors \$16/students \$10/kids free with adults. Spangenberg Theater, 780 Arastradero Road, Palo Alto. Call 856-8432. www.peninsulapops.org

Robert Huw Morgan, University Organist. Works for organ and voice, featuring soprano Ruth Escher and bass Jeffrey Fields. Dec. 10, 1:30 p.m. Free. Memorial Church, 450 Serra Mall, Stanford. Call 723-2720. <http://music.stanford.edu/events/calendar.html>

The Fortnightly Music Club Concert. Sun., Dec. 10, 8 p.m. Works by Beethoven, Schumann, Barber and Martinu. Performers include E. Serebrennikova, C. Barkin, M. Reiss, piano; B. Radin, flute; A. Pease, clarinet; D. Budson, cello. Free. Palo Alto Art Center, 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto. Call 522-8152. www.fortnightlymusicclub.org

The New Choir. Christmas carols from Asia, Africa, Europe and the Americas. Dec. 9, 8-10 p.m. \$12-\$20. St. Mark’s Episcopal, 600 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto. Call 330-0414.

Dance

“Getcha Groove On.” A student dance performance directed by Linda Breen. Presented by Canada College. Dec. 8, 7:30-9 p.m. Free. Main Theater, 4200 Farm Hill Blvd., Redwood City. Call 378-7301. www.canadacollege.edu

“The Nutcracker.” Presented by Western Ballet. Featuring choreography by Gonzalo Espinoza, with students of the School of Western Ballet and guest artists Katherine Wells, Travis Walker, Ramon Moreno and Olivier Munoz. Dec. 8, 7 p.m.; Dec. 9-10, 1 and 6 p.m. Adults \$23/children/seniors \$18. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 903-6000. www.mvcpa.com

Anna Halprin’s Myths. Incorporating narratives drawn from residents of several local senior centers along with students, artist Anna Halprin will re-create three of her participatory theater works, “Ten Myths.” All events are audience participatory. Dec. 6, 7-9 p.m. Free; no tickets needed. Roble Dance Studio, 375 Santa Teresa St., Stanford. Call 725-5838. <http://drama.stanford.edu>

Brazilian Dance Class. Open to beginners; not a couples dance class. Drop-ins welcome or register for the series. Thursdays, through Dec. 14, 8:15-9:30 p.m. \$12 per drop-in class. Red Morton Community Center, 1120 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City. www.redwoodcity.org/sdi/registrationmain.sdi

Outdoors

Explorer Hike. Moderately paced excursion of about 3-5 miles, with a variety of elevation gains. With docents Sieffen Krieger, Dennis Smith, and Bill Blodgett. Dec. 6, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Free. Monte Bello Open Space Preserve. www.openspace.org

Nature Through a Lens. Amateur photographers and docents Frances Cleveland and Jack Zirker lead a 2-mile photography hike along trails near Horseshoe Lake. Dec. 9, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Free. Skyline Ridge Open Space Preserve. www.openspace.org

Exhibits

Art in Action Library Show. Art in Action opens a 6-month long art show series featuring artwork from local students grades K-8. Through May 5. For a list of participating schools see Web site. Free. Art in Action, 3925 Bohannon Dr., Menlo Park. Call 566-8339. www.artinaction.org

“Classic and Timeless Toys.” Palo Alto Sport Shop and Toy world and the Museum of American Heritage present “Classic and Timeless Toys,” an exhibit featuring over 75 classic toys of the 20th century. Learn the history of toys and the story behind their inventions. Fridays-Sundays, through Jan. 28, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Museum of American Heritage, 351 Homer Ave., Palo Alto. Call 321-1004. www.moah.org

“Rail Gardeners Run Trains.” Fridays-Sundays, through Dec. 10, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. The Bay Area Garden Railway society will present a double track garden gauge layout. Museum of American Heritage, 351 Homer Ave., Palo Alto. Call 321-1004. www.moah.org

“Sliding Scale.” By Gail Wight. Objects of scientific research and the larger field of science in a new light. Mice eat through a representation of their genome, butterflies struggle to escape their pins, and beetles tell their stories. Through Dec. 10. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat.-Sun., 1-5 p.m. Free. Thomas Welton Stanford Art Gallery, 419 Laseun Mall, Stanford. Call 723-3404. art.stanford.edu

Palo Alto Art Center. Free tours for

adults with docents in Art Dialogues program. Saturdays, through Dec. 22, 2 p.m. Private tours available. Palo Alto Art Center, 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto.

The Mondavi Family Gallery Reinstalled. New installation presents the Center’s 19th-century European and American collection. Nov. 8-Dec. 31. Hours: Wed.-Sun., 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thu., 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; closed Mondays and Tuesdays. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Free Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Dr., Stanford. Call 723-4177.

Kids & Families

Amy Meyers Children’s CD Release Concert. Amy Meyers, teacher for early childhood music program, Music For Children releases “Trains and Hens,” a children’s CD of 19 traditional songs. Dec. 9, 10-11 a.m. \$10/\$5. Woodside Road United Methodist Church, 2000 Woodside Road, Redwood City. www.amymeyersmusic.com

Children’s Story Time. Sundays, 11:30 a.m. Free. Kepler’s Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.keplers.com

Itsy Bitsy Storytime. Lapsit storytime for children 2 1/2 and under. Tuesdays, through Dec. 12, 10:30-11 a.m. Free. Atherton Library, 2 Dinkelspiel Station Lane, Atherton. Call 328-2422. www.smcl.org/libraries/ath/index.html

Mad Science. Learn about effects. Grades K-8. Dec. 6, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside. Call 851-0147.

The Sippy Cups Live in “Electric Storyland.” Sun., Dec. 17, 2 p.m. The Sippy Cups present a blend of rock music, juggling, comical stunts and characters, giant puppets, and audience participation. \$18 adults/\$12 kids 1-12/babes-in-arms free. Mountain View Center for the Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. Call (415) 335-4422. www.thesippycups.com

Film

“Buyer be Fair.” Documentary explores how conscious consumers and businesses can use the market to promote social justice and environmental sustainability through product labeling, with a focus on Fair Trade coffee and Forest Stewardship Council certified wood. Speaker and discussion to follow. Dec. 8, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$5-\$10 donations. Unitarian Universalist Church, 505 E. Charleston Road, Palo Alto. www.worldcentric.org/filmseries/current.htm

“Cyrano de Bergerac.” Directed by Augusto Genina, starring Pierre Magnier. French-Italian co-production was the first cinematic treatment of Edmund Rostand’s classic. Soundtrack performed live by the Ahl-i Nafs. With English subtitles. Dec. 6, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free. Pigott Hall, building 260, room 113, Stanford University.

Monday Movies. Dec. 11: “Tristram Shandy”; Dec. 18: “The Family Stoner.” 11 a.m.-1 p.m. \$1 members/\$2 non-members. Little House, 800 Middle Ave., Menlo Park. Call 326-2025. www.peninsulavolunteers.org

Health

Walking Group. Meets Thursdays, 9 a.m. December meets at Little House. Explore local streets. Walk about 3-4 miles. Call Hal Makin 948-2310 for weekly location. Free. Little House, 800 Middle Ave., Menlo Park. Call 326-2025. www.peninsulavolunteers.org

Outdoors

Birds of Bayfront Park Open House. Sat., Dec. 9, 9-11:30 a.m. Experienced observers will be available to point out the different species of birds, show telescopic views, and answer questions. Bring binoculars. Offered by Friends of Bayfront Park. Free. Bayfront Park, End of Marsh Road, Menlo Park.

Special Events

Model Train Show. The West Bay Model Railroad Association’s Christmas Show Dec. 8, 7-10 p.m.; Dec. 9, noon-6 p.m.; Dec. 10, noon-5 p.m. Model Trains will be operating plus railroad artifacts and photos on display. Free; donations accepted. West Bay Model Railroad Building, 1090 Merrill St., Menlo Park. Call 322-9335.

19th Annual Christmas Creche Exhibit. 500 creches from 65 countries on display. Daily schedule through Dec. 6, noon-9 p.m.; 7 p.m. concert.; Marionette shows 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.; Santon stories 5-7 p.m. daily. Free. Crafts and nativity costumes in children’s room. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3865 Middlefield

Road, Palo Alto. www.christmascreche.org

Artifactory Holiday Fair. Fine crafts by local artists. Dec. 8-10, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Hoover House, 1120 Hopkins, Palo Alto.

County Sesquicentennial Film Premiere. Red carpet film premiere of a documentary exploring 150 years of San Mateo County history, featuring historians, politicians, and prominent residents. Dec. 7, 7 p.m. \$25. The Fox Theatre, 2215 Broadway, Redwood City. Call 873-2678.

Farmhouse Christmas Tea Lunches. Dec. 7-10, noon. A hot meal including appetizer, entrée choice and Yuletide dessert with a Christmas Blend Tea. Guests age 12 and up. Reservations required. \$40 pre-paid. Yerba Buena Nursery, 19500 Skyline Blvd., Woodside. Call 851-1668. www.yerbabuenanursery.com

Fire House Gallery’s Holiday Gift Boutique. Holiday music and refreshments provided. Dec. 8-10, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Dec. 10: humorist Mary Hanna. 40% of proceeds will be donated to Avenidas. Avenidas, 450 Bryant St., Palo Alto. Call 289-5430. www.avenidas.org

Holiday Plant and Floral Decor Sale. Hosted by the College of San Mateo, department of Horticulture and Floristry. Selections of poinsettias, wreaths, floral centerpieces and arrangements. Dec. 7-8, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. College of San Mateo, 1700 W. Hillsdale Blvd., San Mateo. Call 574-6217.

Walk Down Memory Lane. Learn how to use audio, visual and other prompts to recall memories and share stories in a supportive group. Dec. 12, 2-3 p.m. Free. Little House, 800 Middle Ave., Menlo Park. Call 326-2025. www.peninsulavolunteers.org

Sports

Boys U12 Soccer Tryouts. Alpine Menlo Soccer Club is starting a new U12 boys class 3 soccer team. Tryouts for boys born after 7/31/94. Dec. 10, 9-10:30 a.m. Woodside High School, 199 Churchill, Woodside. Call 854-1224. www.alpinemenlosoccer.com

Girls U11 Soccer Tryouts. Alpine Menlo Soccer Club needs girls born after 7/31/95 to tryout for the Grizzlies. Sun., Dec. 10. E-mail lizkorman@hotmail.com for details.

U10 Boys and Girls Soccer Tryouts. The Alpine Menlo Soccer Club is looking for boys and girls born after 7/31/96 to tryout for Cheetahs and Jaguars. For boys contact Karen Andre Karen@bernardandre.com or for girls Rob Zanutta zranutta@pacbell.net. Dec. 10, 9-10:30 a.m. Woodside High School, 199 Churchill Ave., Woodside. www.alpinemenlosoccer.com

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YES Reading. Need tutor volunteers to tutor students one-on-one who are reading below grade level at under-served schools. Tutors are needed at Belle Haven School in Menlo Park and Selby Lane School in Atherton. Mondays-Thursdays through June 30. E-mail info@yesreading.org for more information.

Child Advocates Information Session. Child Advocates of Silicon Valley trains and supports volunteers to mentor and advocate for a child in the foster care system. Information/orientation session Dec. 7, 6-7:30 p.m. Cooley Godward LLP, 3000 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. Call (408) 573-5611. www.cadvocates.org

Art of Art Collecting. Chelsea Art Gallery in association with The Citigroup Private Bank presents “The Silicon Valley Guide to Savvy Art Investment and Acquisition,” an art collecting seminar to benefit arts and education on the Peninsula. Featuring Bay Area experts and automobile showcase by Ferrari Maserati SV. Dec. 6, 6-8 p.m. By invitation only. Chelsea Art Gallery, 440 Kipling St., Palo Alto. Call 324-4450. www.chelseaatgallery.com/info/Art_Collection/December_6.html

Peninsula Pops Orchestra Openings. For advanced players of all instruments. Rehearsals Tuesdays, through Dec. 31, 7-10 p.m. Call for appointment. Gunn High School, 780 Arastradero Road Room M1, Palo Alto. Call 856-8432. www.peninsulapops.org

“Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.” Auditions open to ages 8 to high school. Presented in celebration of the Palo Alto Children’s Theatre’s 75th Anniversary. Dec. 12-13, 3:45-6 p.m. Palo Alto Children’s Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 463-4930.

Kara Candlelight Service. In memory of loved ones who have died. Interfaith Service of Remembrance includes music ends with a communal candle-lighting. Dec. 7, 7-8:30 p.m. Unity Palo Alto Community Church, 3391 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. www.kara-grief.org

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WOODSIDE – Large, beautiful shingled home with two bedrooms, two full baths and large office. The kitchen features granite counter tops and lots of room for entertaining. The living room has a wood burning fireplace. Most rooms enter out to large redwood decks giving the home an indoor/outdoor feel. Portola Valley Schools. Minutes to 280 and the town of Woodside.

DANA CAPPIELLO **\$989,000**

REDWOOD CITY

Spacious two bed home with refinished hardwood floors. Open kitchen leading to large backyard. Bonus room off one car garage. Excellent street and close to schools, parks and shopping.

BRENDAN ROYER **\$749,000**

SAN CARLOS

With stunning views + a large level mature landscaped lot, this home has it all! This Brittan Heights beauty boasts 4BDs, 2BAs and soaring ceilings. Close to open spaces & trails and yet only minutes to downtown or the freeways.

THE CLARKE TEAM **\$1,295,000**

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 JOSE

Spacious home. 2BD/1BA added w/sep. entrance. Great for 2 family living.

SALLY KWOK **\$799,000**

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

MARY JO MCCARTHY **\$775,000**

WOODSIDE

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

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



WOODSIDE – Exquisitely remodeled home set in the Redwoods. Two bedrooms, one and a half baths. Cherry cabinetry, all new appliances and granite countertops highlight the chef's kitchen. All new windows and lots of light. Beamed ceilings, hardwood floors, separate dining room. The large living room has a wood burning fireplace.

DANA CAPPIELLO **\$898,000**

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Top Location

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Barbara Puma

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LAS LOMITAS SCHOOLS

ATHERTON

5 BR 8.5 BA

\$5,995,000

Three-story, Mediterranean hm on a resort-like, gated lot in West Atherton. A sunny patio links the pool, spa & tennis court.

Hugh Cornish

650.324.4456



MENLO PARK

THIS HOME HAS IT ALL

\$1,629,000

3BR/2.5BA Family and dining room, eat-in kitchen, formal entry, laundry room, gleaming hardwood floors, huge lot. Las Lomitas School District.

Meg Dalziel

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OPEN SUNDAY

MENLO PARK

1210 Sharon Park Drive

\$1,295,000

3 BR 3 BA Townhome with updated kitchen and bathrooms, in beautiful gated community. Oversized master with vaulted ceilings & balcony. Bonus reading nook. Lots of storage space too!



Lynne Mercer

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610 Gilbert Ave #28

\$519,000

2 BR 1 BA Desirable Updated End Unit Condo in Willows. 1 Car Garage, Stunning Hardwood Floors, Granite Bathroom, Fresh Paint, Pool, Easy Access to 101, A Must See!



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Inviting Oasis!

\$2,275,000

4BR/3.5BA + office! Inspiring bay & hill views, great floorplan w/ remodeled granite Kit & 2 mst suites. Useable, approx 1-ac w/ patio, gardens & oaks on cul-de-sac.



Celeste Hengel

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PORTOLA VALLEY

One of Ladera's best locations!

\$1,295,000

3 BR 2.5 BA Large cul-de-sac lot. LR/DR combo, kitchen/FR combo. Close to Rec. Center & shopping. Las Lomitas Schools.



Pam Piers Hammer

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ATHERTON

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

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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

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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

CIRCUS CLUB LOCATION

\$4,995,000

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

ELEGANT TUDOR STYLING

\$3,950,000

6 BR 4.5 BA Grand dimensions on a priv cul-de-sac. LR w/FP, DR, Chef's Kit, FR w/FP, Library w/FP, Mstr St w/FP, Exercise Rm w/Wet Bar, Gst Hse, Pool&Spa, Spt Ct

Tom LeMieux

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EXTRAORDINARY OPPORTUNITY

\$3,695,000

4 BR 3 BA Prime Atherton location for remodel or build new on approximately one acre w/pool & spa. Mature perimeter trees, gardens, level lawn & flower beds

Tom LeMieux

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LLOYDEN PARK

\$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 NEW CONSTRUCTION

\$2,295,000

4 BR 4 BA Features include an elegant LR, formal Dr, gourmet Kt with top of the line appliances, spacious FR & BRs, hrdwd flrs thru-out & lovely bckyd. MP schls

Keri Nicholas

650.323.7751

CHARMING HM ON .49 AC

\$1,672,600

3 BR 2 BA Large windows, hwd floors, plantation shutters, grnt kit, vltl FR + loft. DR w/bay windows. Mstr bdrm opens to a private garden. Sep. laundry rm, AC.

Phil Poms

650.851.2666

BELMONT

CONTEMPORARY HOME

\$999,000

4 BR 2.5 BA Fabulous views from most rooms. New kitchen, custom cabinets, hwd floor, expansive granite slab counters & great appliances. New 2-car gar. New paint.

Mike Sokolsky

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CHARMING BELMONT HOME!

\$749,000

3 BR 1 BA Freshly painted interior and refinished hardwood floors! Nice floorplan!

Erika Demma

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EAST PALO ALTO

BEST BUY!

\$680,000

3 BR 1 BA Magnificent home on large 7200+sf lot. Upgraded throughout, granite kitchen and bath. Designer colors. Must see!

Cristina Bliss

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EAST PALO ALTO

WOODLAND CREEK

\$599,000

3 BR 2 BA Minutes to Downtown PA! Spacious private balcony/patio. Central AC & heat. Pool, Spa & Fitness Center. In-unit laundry. Secure underground parking.

Tom O'Dowd

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PRICED TO SELL!

\$574,500

3 BR 1 BA One car garage & carport. Good condition, close to 84 & 101. Living room with fireplace. Property to be sold as is condition.

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WOODLAND CREEK!

\$549,000

2 BR 2 BA Minutes to Downtown PA! Spacious private balcony/patio. Central AC & heat. Pool, Spa & Fitness Center. In-unit laundry. Secure underground parking.

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WOODLAND CREEK!

\$389,000

1 BR 1 BA Minutes to Downtown PA! Spacious private balcony/patio. Central AC & heat. Pool, Spa & Fitness Center. In-unit laundry. Secure underground parking.

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GORGEOUS REBUILT HOME

\$3,395,000

4 BR 4 BA Completely rebuilt 12 yrs ago, nearly 4000sf 1-story hm on stunning 1-ac lot w/ PA Schools! Priv CDS setting, conveniently located. Best deal in town!

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UPDATED 3000SF HM PA SCHL

\$2,395,000

4 BR 3.5 BA Updated sunny 3000 sf LAH home w/PA Schools on 1 ac lot w/vineyard. Gourmet kitchen w/granite counter-tops. Wine tasting & bottling rooms in basement.

Hanna Shacham

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\$3,999,000

7 BR 2.5 BA Dutch colonial style w. study, family kitchen & formal dining rm. Oversized 2-car gar. Apx. 34,000sf lot. Owned by the same family for over 80 years!

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REMODELED WITH STYLE

\$2,695,000

6 BR 4.5 BA On three levels in desirable Menlo Park location. Formal LR & DR areas w/FP, granite Kit w/Brkfst Area, FR, Mstr w/spa-style BA, lower-lvl BRs, Wet Br

Tom LeMieux

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NEW CONSTRUCTION

\$2,550,000

5 BR 4.5 BA One of a kind custom home built by JS Development. Beautiful combination of modern amenities & old world charm.

Mandana Nejad

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PRIME WEST MENLO LOCATION

\$2,350,000

4 BR 2.5 BA Prime West Menlo remodeled home features: eat-in kitchen, master suite, living/dining room w/fireplace opens to pool & patio.

Karin Riley/Kris Klint

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BEAUTIFUL CRAFTSMAN

\$2,095,000

4 BR 3 BA Newer construction. Roughly 2792sf. Grand master ste. Chef's kitchen w. butler's pantry. Formal living rm & formal dining rm. Las Lomitas schools.

Zach Trailer

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FABULOUS LOCATION!

\$1,995,000

4 BR 2.5 BA Large updated home with great floor plan. Sep FR. Large closets, lots of storage, hwd flrs, security system, dbl pane windows, eat in kitchen, sep DR.

Lyn Jason Cobb

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JUST LISTED!

\$1,799,000

4 BR 2.5 BA French doors to rear gardens, Formal DR, FR Kitchen Sunken LR, generous MBR suite. Attached 2 car garage. Sought-after Las Lomitas Schools.

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PLEASANTON

4 BR 2.5 BA **\$879,000**
Spacious Ponderosa Home on premium lot. Recent upgrades include kitchen & baths. Spectacular backyard enticing pool & spa.
Barbara Ellis **650.324.4456**



WOODSIDE

HIDDEN VALLEY ESTATE **\$7,950,000**
4 BR 4.5 BA Masterful design on approx. 3.5 acre. Entire house remodeled in 2001. Separate studio/playroom with full bath & exercise room plus pony barn/art studio. VTour at www.thekavanaughs.com
Ginny Kavanaugh
Joe Kavanaugh **650.851.1961**



WOODSIDE

CENTRAL WOODSIDE **\$2,600,000**
3 BR 3.5 BA Custom built home close to town & schools. Guest house suite w/outdoor fp, high cathedral ceilings throughout, gourmet kitchen, hdwd flrs, & LR w/fp.
Tammy Tiscornia-Cole **650.851.2666**

MENLO PARK

RESORT STYLE LIVING! **\$1,699,000**
3 BR 3.5 BA Play your Andrea Bocelli CD and enjoy resort-style living in this entertainer's masterpiece in Sharon Heights! Wonderful house and romantic backyard!
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GREAT WEST MP HOME **\$1,295,000**
3 BR 2.5 BA Immaculate & wonderful hm in a grt schl district-Las Lomitas. Very charming! Fully landscaped, tastefully remodeled. Close to shopping & restaurants.
Brenda Kim **650.324.4456**
SPACIOUS ELEGANCE! **\$1,295,000**
3 BR 3 BA Rare end unit town home in gated community on Sharon Heights Golf Course. Large rooms and sophisticated styling for your enjoyment.
Lynne Mercer **650.325.6161**

LOCATION! LOCATION! **\$1,265,000**
2 BR 2 BA Don't miss this incredible opportunity in West Menlo Park. Unique home, level lot, Excellent Las Lomitas school district.
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TRADITIONAL ELEGANCE **\$1,049,000**
3 BR 2.5 BA Beautiful Suburban Park home with style & sophistication. Updated kitchen & baths. Master suite with spa-like bathroom. Acclaimed Menlo Park schools.
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1131 DEL NORTE **\$750,000**
2 BR 1 BA units. Excellent opportunity. Recently remodeled. Great location near Onetta Harris Community Center. Drive by only.
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2 BR 2 BA Walk to downtown PA & MP. One of the largest 2BD in complex. Granite kitchen, marble baths, new carpet. Complex has pool, spa & exercise room.
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NEAR DOWNTOWN MP & PA **\$569,000**
1 BR 1 BA Hardwd flrs, gas FP, crown moldings, extensive use of granite, loads of closets & storage, 3 sides of condo have windows. Patio. Underground parking.
Dan Morgan **650.324.4456**

BEAUTIFUL END UNIT CONDO **\$519,000**
2 BR 1 BA Small Complex with Balcony, 1 Car Garage, Stunning Hardwood Floors, Granite Bathroom, Fresh Paint, Pool, Easy Access to 101. A Must See!
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PALO ALTO

ENGLISH MANOR HALF + ACRE **\$7,900,000**
5 BR 4 BA Exquisitely charming English manor home located on more than half an acre.
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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.
Sarah Elder **650.324.4456**

COME SEE A CHERISHED HOME **\$1,069,000**
4 BR 2 BA Delightful lg 4BR/2BA Johnson Built Rancher. Great floorplan. Large DR could be a family room. Gleaming H/W flrs most rooms. 8000+sf lot. PA Schools.
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PLEASANTON

PRICE REDUCED! **\$879,000**
4 BR 2.5 BA Spacious Ponderosa Home on premium lot. Recent upgrades include kitchen & baths. Spectacular backyard enticing pool & spa.
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PORTOLA VALLEY

BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME! **\$5,295,000**
Amazing 4 acre parcel on cul de sac. Privacy abounds! Spectacular views of the Bay & Hoover Tower, adjacent to Jasper Ridge. One of PVs best view lots
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GORGEOUS CONTEMPORARY **\$3,885,000**
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.
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EXQUISITELY CRAFTED **\$3,695,000**
5 BR 4.5 BA On approx. 1 acre with Windy Hill views. Gracious LR, formal DR, FR, library/study, designer kitchen, spacious MBRS & marble bath.
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PRICE REDUCED! **\$3,595,000**
5 BR 3 BA Expansive home & gardens, Kitchen w/granite & travertine. Remodeled BAs w/granite & travertine. Approx 1ac. Great loc, walking dist. to schools, shops, trails.
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FABULOUS REMODLD 2-STORY **\$2,759,000**
4 BR 3.5 BA Features elegant granite kit, mst. ba, frml LR, DR, fam rm, 3-car gar, gardens & views. Approx. 3,200 sq ft of splendor set on approx 1 ac!
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STUNNING "BLUE OAKS" LOT **\$2,195,000**
Build your dream home on this gently sloping 1.7 AC lot w/views of coastal range & a glimpse of S.F. The maximum FLA is 5,225 S.F.
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DRAMATIC SETTING **\$2,079,000**
4 BR 3 BA Stylish 2-story on quiet cul-de-sac features approx 3,500 sq ft, granite kit, wine cellar & tasting room, decks, spa, lrg yard & lovely views.
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CLEAN MODEST HOME **\$1,799,000**
3 BR 3 BA Spectacular views of Western Hills. One acre with hardwood floors, and great room with fireplace. Ready to remodel or rebuild.
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SERENE SETTING W/VIEWS! **\$1,500,000**
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LIGHT & BRIGHT LADERA **\$1,468,000**
4 BR 2.5 BA Privacy surrounds you in this Ladera home. Large windows open up to front & back yards providing natural light & garden views. Las Lomitas Schools.
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REDUCED! **\$1,299,000**
2 BR 2.5 BA Incredible value w/approx 2960 sf on 14,000+ sq ft w/useable yd. Great Room w/stone fireplace, breakfast room, remodeled MB, family room, lower level c/b for au pair w/kitchen.
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JUST LISTED **\$1,295,000**
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FABULOUS HOME BORDERS AT **\$1,249,000**
4 BR 3 BA Elegant L/R, gourmet kitchen w/center island, 4 spacious BR/3BA, exquisite master suite, lovely landscaped backyard. See vtour at www.kerinicholas.com
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JUST LISTED! **\$779,000**
3 BR 1 BA Dual-pane windows, repainted inside, new carpets, new front landscaping w/automatic sprinklers, F/A heat, tile counters & garden window in kitchen.
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1BED/1BATH CONDO HOA \$171 **\$369,000**
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Keri Nicholas **650.323.7751**

WOODSIDE

LE SOLEIL **\$28,000,000**
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GREAT OPPORTUNITY **\$6,900,000**
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ESTATE BUILDING SITE **\$5,995,000**
5 BR 4 BA Remodel or rebuild. Approx. 4.6 acres of gently rolling meadows with views of Western Hills. Just minutes from WDS village and major commute routes.
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PRIVATE 6+ AC SITE **\$2,600,000**

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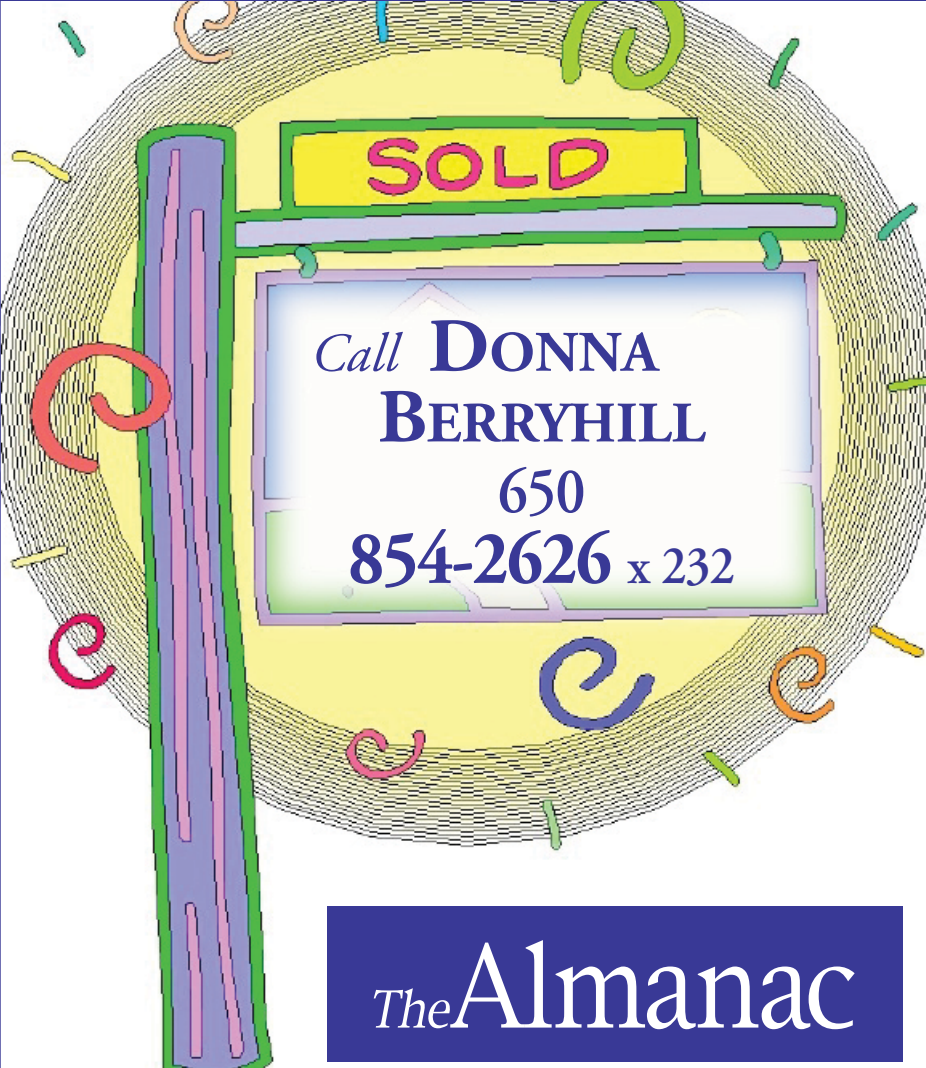


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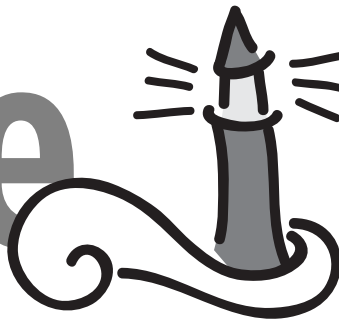
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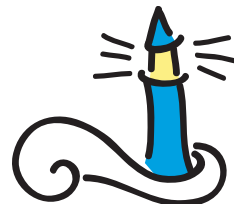
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This business is conducted by Individuals - Husband and Wife: (1) ALEKSANDRA FLIEGLER, 24 Santa Elena Avenue, Daly City, CA 94015-4035; (2) ROBERT FLIEGLER, 24 Santa Elena Avenue, Daly City, CA 94015-4035.

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. 217373

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: (1) VINO FAIRE, (2) PHOTOGRAPHIC ESCAPES, (3) MAAS RIVER, (4) U.S. TERROR WATCH, 2995 Woodside Road, Suite 400, Woodside, CA 94062.

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company: (1) MARGARET A. MARAIST, 2100 Stockbridge Avenue, Woodside, CA 94062; (2) JAMES E. VANDERMAAS, 2100 Stockbridge Avenue, Woodside, CA 94062.

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. 217452

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: AUTO PRIDE CAR WASH, 195 El Camino Real, San Carlos, CA 94070.

This business is conducted by a Corporation: AUTO PRIDE CAR WASH, 909 Woodside Road, Redwood City, CA 94061.

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. 217453

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: AUTO PRIDE CAR WASH, 1095 Carolan Avenue, Burlingame, CA 94010.

This business is conducted by a Corporation: AUTO PRIDE CAR WASH, 909 Woodside Road, Redwood City, CA 94061.

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. 217034

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: NOEL OAKS APARTMENTS, 1010 Noel Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025; 4370 Alpine Road, Suite 201, Portola Valley, CA 94028.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners: (1) GREGORY H. BLAINE, 3444 Scott Street, San Francisco, CA 94123; (2) CHERYL L. BLAINE, 3444 Scott Street, San Francisco, CA 94123; (3) MARGARET H. BLAINE, 2285 Tioga Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025; (4) HARTNELL TERENCE BLAINE, 2285 Tioga Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on October 28, 2004.

(ENDORSED) FILED In the Office of the County Clerk Recorder of San Mateo County California November 2, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Madeleine Bruley, Deputy Clerk.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 217038

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MENLO POINTE APARTMENTS, 950-970 Crane Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025; 4370 Alpine Road, Suite 201, Portola Valley, CA 94028.

This business is conducted by Individuals - Husband & Wife: (1) CONSTANCE AHERN, 35 Tripp Court, Woodside, CA 94062; (2) GARY AHERN, 35 Tripp Court, Woodside, CA 94062.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on September 15, 2001.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 217082

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: A TALE OF TWO TRUFFLES, 2101 Carlmont Drive, Suite 311, Belmont, CA 94002.

This business is conducted by Individuals - Husband & Wife: (1) NICOLA MAGLODI, 2101 Carlmont Drive, Suite 311, Belmont, CA 94002; (2) MATYAS MAGLODI, 2101 Carlmont Drive, Suite 311, Belmont, CA 94002.

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. 217351

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: HERITAGE OAK QUILTING, 333 Leland Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025-6159.

This business is conducted by an Individual: JULIA M. CURRY, 333 Leland Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025-6159.

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. 217372

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: DALE L. FOUCH-FIXIT & REPAIR, 477 E. Hillsdale Blvd., #117, San Mateo, CA 94403.

This business is conducted by an Individual: DALE LEE FOUCH, 477 E. Hillsdale Blvd., #117, San Mateo, CA 94403.

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. 217260

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BLUM REALTY, 677 Valparaiso Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

This business is conducted by an Individual: SCOTT BLUM, 677 Valparaiso 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. 217064

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: RED HOUSE, 449 Santa Margarita, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

This business is conducted by an Individual: JONATHAN PROPP, 449 Santa Margarita, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on October 1, 2006.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 216925

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SIX DFLES DESIGN, 45 Hallmark Circle, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

This business is conducted by an Individual: KEVIN KRAMER, 45 Hallmark Circle, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on October 20, 2006.

(ENDORSED) FILED In the Office of the County Clerk Recorder of San Mateo County California October 30, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Patricia Fischbach, Deputy Clerk.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 217378

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: APLUS COMPUTER AID, P.O. Box 7851, Menlo Park, CA 94026; 331 Grove Drive, Portola Valley, CA 94028.

This business is conducted by an Individual: PAUL R. ECKSTROM, 331 Grove Drive, Portola Valley, CA 94028.

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. 217376

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BAG TO BASICS, P.O. Box 1041 Menlo Park, CA 94026.

This business is conducted by an Individual: SAMIRA NAWAS, 46 Greenoaks Drive, Atherton, CA 94027.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on October 27, 2006.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 217420

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: STAR CUTTING HORSES, 711 Southdale Way, Woodside, CA 94062.

This business is conducted by an Individual: JAMES GORDON MILNE, 711 Southdale Way, Woodside, CA 94062.

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. 217253

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SUGAR SHACK, 816 Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners: (1) SUZANNE M. TINSLEY, 1205 San Mateo Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025; (2) ELIZABETH DONNELLY, 98 Austin Avenue, Atherton, CA 94027.

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 November 17, 2006. WARREN SLOCUM, County Clerk by Patricia Fischbach, Deputy Clerk.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 217303

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE DOUGLASS COMPANY, 3553 Haven Avenue, #5, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

This business is conducted by a Corporation: THE A & K DOUGLASS COMPANY, INC., 11 Sargent Lane, Atherton, CA 94027.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 1, 1997.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 217237

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JAKUBSON FINANCIAL ORGANIZERS, 30 Sunrise Court, Suite 100, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

This business is conducted by a Corporation: JAKUBSON TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC., 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. 217153

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: H.E.A.L. RESOURCES: HEALTH EDUCATION AND AWARENESS THROUGH LEARNING, 3155 Bear Gulch Road, Woodside, CA 94062-4419.

This business is conducted by an Individual: DEBORAH GILSON, 3155 Bear Gulch Road, Woodside, CA 94062-4419.

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. 217089

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CHANNEL SELF STORAGE GROUP, 712 Glenmere Way, Redwood City, CA 94062.

This business is conducted by an Individual: DANIEL CORNELIUS, 712 Glenmere Way, Redwood City, CA 94062.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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This business is conducted by an Individual: JANE BURGESS, 12 Cowell Lane, Atherton, CA 94027.

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