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Frances Bennett, left, a member of Environmental Volunteers, shows Encinal fourth-graders how different tectonic plates make up the Earth's mantle using a puzzle map.

In its first 35 years, Environmental Volunteers have immersed more than 300,000 school kids in their local wild places, from Bay to forest.

“They’re fighting! They’re fighting!” A cluster of kids watches excitedly as two elegant white egrets go at each other in aerial combat near the duck pond at the Palo Alto Baylands.

Later, the kids dance among some wobbling Canada geese, joyously chanting “Gobble! Gobble!”

Welcome to an Environmental Volunteer field trip with Janet Conn’s first-grade class at Willow Oaks School in Menlo Park. Forty kids are checking out the area’s most accessible marsh, happily at low, low tide so there’s lots of mud to learn from.

Volunteers lead groups of half a dozen kids each from the boat ramp — “So why are there no barnacles up here?” — past the marsh where they watch wading birds

poking in the mud, and discuss why bills are different shapes. They taste pickleweed; they look at a graceful avocet, with up-curving bill, sitting on her eggs on a small grass island surrounded by ebbing water.

On the porch of the Baylands Nature Center, the kids watch the swallows watching them from their nests glued under the roof. They walk out the boardwalk to the edge of the Bay — silently, silently — in case someone can spot an endangered clapper rail. Or “Salty,” the endangered salt marsh harvest mouse. No sighting, but tantalizing footprints in the mud.

“This is the best trip I’ve ever had. They just keep getting better and better,”

By Marion Softky
Almanac Staff Writer

says Ms. Conn, who has been giving her first and second graders EV classes and field trips for at least 10 years. “It’s so different from going to the zoo.

“This is a place that’s close by. They can go back with their families, and they do,” she continues. “They learn the importance of little microscopic things that are in the mud, and the inter-relation of everything.”

As some 40 kids prepare to board the yellow bus, Bryan turns around and proclaims loudly, “I liked this!”

35 years

It was 1972, when the environmental

movement was taking off across the Bay Area, that the late Karen Nilsson and some friends started Environmental Volunteers at the Peninsula Conservation Center, which was based then in a small blue-and-green house on Oak Grove Avenue in Menlo Park.

Their purpose was to design a program that would be highly visible to the community, involve volunteers, and help children learn about their natural environment.

In September 1972, 32 volunteers enrolled in the first training class. Because one of the major concerns at the time was pollution in San Francisco Bay, the first program was Bay Ecology. Kids learned during

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MENLO PARK... Graceful architecture in sought after Allied Arts area. Light-filled and spacious this 4 BR, 3.5 BA home offers an open floor plan, detailed woodwork and abundant natural stone. Featuring a full basement and amazing outdoor living this 3 year new home is truly a gem. Close proximity to local parks, Stanford, and acclaimed Menlo Park schools.
JAMI ARAMI **\$2,995,000**



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WOODSIDE... First time ever on the market this classic cottage from the 1920's is reflective of old World Woodside. With a beautifully natural landscape you can enjoy views of the western hills in a very private setting on a very desirable road, Whiskey Hill. The charming home has hardwood floors with 3 bedrooms and 1.5 baths.
STEVE GRAY/KEN REEVES **\$1,895,000**



LOS ALTOS... This secluded & tranquil 4BR/3BA home is ideal for entertaining w/spectacular views from every room. Substantially renovated, 2mbr ste, high ceiling, Sep. LR/DR/FM. Flat Lot surrounded by lush garden, oak & redwood trees. Top LA Schl.
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ATHERTON

Stunning Atherton 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with views. Remodel or build on this spacious property. Has a pool and is priced to sell quickly.
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EAST PALO ALTO

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CAROLYN RIANDA **\$607,000**

LA HONDA

Property has 3 structures, a main, a barn & a studio to be permitted by the new owners. It has numerous pre-existing structures. The property has its own well & its own power generating source.
GARY MCKAE **\$795,000**

LOS ALTOS

Feel at home in this recently updated 2BR/1.5BA condo tucked away in private seclusion. Cozy LR/DR combo, gas starter fireplace with large picture window looking out to beautifully landscaped patio. Complex amenities include a pool, cabana with sauna and clubhouse.
GINNA ARNOLD-LAZAR **\$565,000**

LOS ALTOS HILLS

In one of the most desirable Los Altos Hills neighborhood, this home is conveniently located in close proximity to downtown Los Altos. This home has 4BR/3+ baths, plus guest house sits on a large lot and comes complete with pool, tennis court and beautiful views...A rare find!
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MENLO PARK

Majestic Oaks and Redwoods surround this beautifully landscaped home located on one of the most desirable streets in West Menlo Park. This spacious, remodeled 6BR/4BA home combines a thoughtful floor plan w/tasteful appointments & quality workmanship. Ideal for comfortable living with a serene atmosphere.
SUSAN FURSTMAN **\$3,350,000**

Menlo Park Spanish Villa centrally located near downtown. 5 spacious Bedrooms and 3 full Baths with bonus entertainment/game room.
MEEGAN FERRARI **\$2,940,281**

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CAMILLE EDER **\$2,695,000**

Developers dream lot! 2 Bedrooms, 1.5 Bath home in original condition built in 1924. Close to downtown Menlo Park, shops and transportation.
MEEGAN FERRARI **\$2,199,000**

Mediterranean style combined with an extensively remodeled interior provides old world charm w/modern amenities. Architectural elements enhance this 5BR/4BA home nestled in mature landscaping. With cathedral ceilings in the foyer & living room, the expansive feel of this home offers comfort as well as sophistication.
SUSAN FURSTMAN **\$1,875,000**

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Coming soon...One of the largest Townhouse in Mountain View, Just 5 years old, end unit with lots of light in excellent condition and high ceilings. Inside laundry with attached 2 car garage and more...
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Light filled 3BR/2.5BA end unit in quiet Mountain View neighborhood. Fresh paint, new carpet, spacious BR's. sep. FR, nice bckyd. Feels like home! Close to local park & shopping.
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PESCADERO

Gorgeous 4BR/3.5BA Equestrian estate in prime Pescadero. Master suite w/office/nursery, walk in closets & fireplace. Master BA w/travertine flrs, Jacuzzi. Gourmet kitch. features granite counter, custom cabinetry, top appliances & walk in pantry. Formal LR & formal DR. Brazilian wood decks surround the home. 3-car garage.
STEVE GRAY **\$3,268,000**

PORTOLA VALLEY

Estate property with stunning 3BD/2BA main home. Completely updated. Spacious kitchen and family room. One plus useable flat acres. Separate 1BD/1BA guest house. 2 stall barn, paddock and pool.
DANA CAPIELLO **\$3,550,000**

Brand new Mediterranean styled 5BR/4+BA home. Absolute quality construction with designer flair. High coffered ceilings, distressed hardwood floors, a gourmet kitchen with the finest appliances and cabinetry. 3-car garage with views to S.F.
DANA CAPIELLO **\$3,495,000**



ATHERTON... Extraordinary European Country Estate. The serene grounds on over one acre include pool, outdoor entertaining pavilion & expansive lawn. This one of a kind custom built 2 story masterpiece is the ideal house for entertaining. Includes formal LR, DR, master bdrm suite, formal study, wet bar complete w/wine storage. The kitchen is a chef's delight designed w/attention to detail.
MICHELLE ENGLERT **\$6,195,000**

PORTOLA VALLEY

This 4BR/3BA home has an interior that welcomes the chef and the entertaining bug within you. The large kitchen sports a Wolf Range and a center set at a height for the cook. Entry to the home can be gotten directly from the 3 car garage. With a separate laundry rm. and sep. quarters at the end of the house w/separate BA.
GARY MCKAE **\$2,899,000**

New construction. Understated elegance defines this 4 BR/3.5 BA Craftsman style home on a picturesque creek side setting. High ceilings, Gourmet chef's kitchen, random plank hardwood floors, oversized garage with attached studio & bath. Excellent neighborhood, central PV, short distance to schools, town shops and Windy Hill. Call for details.
NINO GAETANO **\$2,835,000**

Gorgeous, tranquil parcel, over 2 acres. Scattered with mature oaks. Private flag lot in prime Portola Valley location near the corner of Westridge Drive. Great value. Award winning schools.
ELIZABETH DASCHBACH **\$1,595,000**

REDWOOD CITY

Tastefully decorated & updated 3BR/3BA split level ranch home. Lots of light, great floor plan and stunning views of Mountains & Bay. Large lot with beautifully landscaped grounds. Patio & Gardens off Family room as well as pool & gardens on lower level.
CATHY MCCARTY **\$1,350,000**

Cute Westside home. 3BR/2BA, marble entry & FP, plantation shutters, lrg eat-in kitchen, hrdwd flrs. Yards professionally landscaped.
LARAE FIORESI **\$799,999**

SAN CARLOS

Lovingly maintained 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath home nestled in the hills of San Carlos. This getaway is ready for you to move in!
KRISTIN CASHIN **\$1,599,000**

Beautiful 5BR home with high beamed ceilings, dual paned windows, recessed lighting. Lower level w/family rm. 2BD/2BA with sep. entrance. Patio, backyard w/creek and pond.
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PAUL SKRABO **\$1,195,000**

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PAUL SKRABO **\$668,000**

WOODSIDE

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S. GRAY/E. DASCHBACH **\$6,950,000**

Stunning views: Western hills & Santa Clara Valley, Los Lomitas Schools, 2003 Craftsman, 4BR/3.5BA, upgrades, vineyard & est. landscaping minutes to 280 and 101.
GARY MCKAE **\$5,485,100**

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DANA CAPIELLO **\$1,799,000**

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Walt Hays, right, a member of the Environmental Volunteers, demonstrates to Encinal School fourth-graders how earthquake-retrofitted skyscrapers sway during quakes. From left, the students are Willa Bautista, Jonathan Baker and Spencer Peters.

The Almanac/Veronica Weber

'We lead students to discover'

BAYLANDS

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hands-on field trips to the Palo Alto Baylands — as they still do.

Thirty-five years later, the Environmental Volunteers (EVs) have an impressive track record and ambitious plans for the future.

Over those years, more than 300,000 children and adults have participated in EV programs.

Today, 190 trained volunteers give 500 programs — 350 classroom presentations and 150 field trips — a year, in some 70 schools in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties, says Executive Director Allan Berkowitz. More than 10,000 children participate.

Joyce Friedrichs of Menlo Park, a 25-year volunteers and current board chair, summarizes: "The

EV way is to give good basic science, and to show kids how they can apply it to their lives."

EVs today

"We want kids to touch and smell and taste their way to nature education," says Mr. Berkowitz in his office, still at the Peninsula Conservation Center, now in Palo Alto.

The programs that have evolved are hands-on, Mr. Berkowitz says. Kids learn in small groups, eight for each volunteer in classrooms, six per volunteer on field trips. And they learn by questioning. "We ask a lot of questions. We lead students to discover rather than telling them," he explains. "Why does that bird have a long beak or a short beak?"

Environmental Volunteers present eight programs, plus a S.N.A.K.E. summer camp. Besides Baylands Ecology, other programs are: Marine Ecology, Earthquake Geology, Nature in Your Neighborhood, Early California Indians, Forest and Foothill, Water Science and Conservation, and All About Birds.

Kids go to half a dozen locations on field trips, including Huddart Park, Fitzgerald Marine Reserve, Los Trancos Open Space Preserve, and Stanford's Jasper Ridge Biological Preserve.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
ENVIRONMENTAL VOLUNTEERS

Of the 10,000 kids who participate each year, about 80 percent attend public schools, and 20 percent, private, Mr. Berkowitz says. One-third of the schools serve low-income areas. "We give priority to low-income schools, and significant scholarships to low-income schools," he adds.

Among more than 60 schools between San Jose and San Mateo served by EVs, 12 are in San Mateo County. They are Encinal, Las Lomas, Oak Knoll, Willow Oaks, Phillips Brooks, St. Joseph's, and Trinity, plus East Palo Alto Charter School, a school in San Mateo, and three in Redwood City.

The word has gotten out; teachers really value the EVs programs. "When we opened registration for next year, we had 200 teachers' applications

in the first 20 minutes; we were filled up in six hours," Mr. Berkowitz says. "We're incredible oversubscribed."

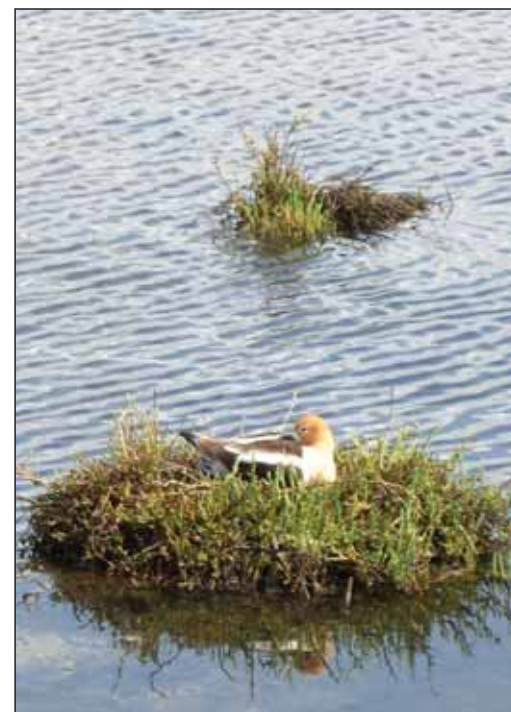
What next?

By late 2008, the EVs hope to open a new headquarters in the old Sea Scouts building at the Palo Alto Baylands.

The ship-shaped landmark was built by famous local architect Birge Clark in 1941 for the Sea Scouts, when Palo Alto still had a yacht harbor. Now it is on track to become an EcoCenter, where the EVs can strengthen their educational presence in a highly visible location in a historic landmark that is being restored in a green and sustainable way.

"The building will be an environmental learning station," says Mr. Berkowitz. "We're toying with the idea of a marsh cam — so you can see the marsh on the Web from anywhere in the world."

The EVs are also preparing a new study subject on Energy and Natural Resources, which will help fourth- and fifth-graders think about sustainability and climate change. "It's really important that we give kids some basic understanding of what's behind all they hear about," says Ms. Friedrichs. ■



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This avocet sitting on her eggs was one of the sights seen by Willow Oaks School first-graders during a recent Environmental Volunteers' field trip to the Palo Alto Baylands.

■ INFORMATION

The Environmental Volunteers always need money and volunteers, says Board Chair Joyce Friedrichs. A new training program starts in September. Environmental Volunteers is based at the Peninsula Conservation Center, 3921 East Bayshore Road, in Palo Alto. For information, call 961-0545; or go to www.evols.org.



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Farewell to gold fever

Hello to Tudal Family Winery for longtime jeweler Marilyn Tudal Fidge

By Karen MacLaughlin
Special to the Almanac

When it came time to sign on the dotted line for another five-year lease at Timothy Fidge & Co. jewelry store in downtown Menlo Park, owner Marilyn Tudal Fidge asked herself, "Do I really want to do this?"

She took over the store in 1989 when it was in Palo Alto and when her sons were 3 and 5 years old. Her husband, whom she met on a blind date while working as a flight attendant for TWA, was killed in a plane crash in April of that year.

He had founded the original custom jewelry shop, "Gold Fever," on Hamilton Avenue in Palo Alto in 1976. Three years later, the store moved to Town & Country Village shopping center in Palo Alto, and in 1985, he changed its name to "Timothy Fidge & Co."

In 1999, Ms. Fidge moved the store to 642 Santa Cruz Ave. in Menlo Park.

Although her husband was fond of repeating that no one ever died for lack of jewelry, Ms. Fidge remarks with good humor, "It's amazing how many fires you have to put out in this business." To many people, jewelry is as necessary as breathing and managing a jewelry store can feel like driving a fire engine.

Ms. Fidge decided not to renew the lease on the jewelry store in order to take on more responsibility for running her family's winery in St. Helena, the Tudal Family Winery. (Her father died of Alzheimer's last year. Her mother is 85.)

The vintner's vocation beckons her with an urgency that is palpable. When Timothy Fidge & Co. closes its doors in July, she intends to devote herself to the cooking classes, organic gardens, and especially, pouring privileges she enjoys so much.

The closing of the jewelry



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Marilyn Tudal Fidge cradles a bottle of Cabernet from Tudal Family Winery while leaning on a jewelry case at her store in downtown Menlo Park. She is leaving the jewelry business after 26 years to work at the winery.

shop will affect the lives of seven employees. Several have worked there for years.

Four saleswomen, two full-time gemologists and two full-time goldsmiths have been needed to serve customers "from concept to finished design," says Ms. Fidge.

All the work is completed on the premises. Nothing (except platinum) has to be sent out, she emphasizes.

The staff acts like a family. Surprisingly, like a happy family. They have water skied and ridden the Napa wine train together. Most admit to being in

their "fabulous fifties."

Mary Finkel of Menlo Park has been employed full-time in sales, with one hiatus, since the Gold Fever days. The first time she walked into the store, she offered to pay Tim for a ring she had picked out (but could not afford) by working for him during the Christmas season.

Although she knew nothing about precious stones, she was hired and is now unanimously deemed "very knowledgeable" by her fellow employees. She helped the store through two of its moves, including the one to Santa Cruz Avenue in 1999 and trusts that "something will turn up" for her to do after the store closes in July.

Twenty-five years ago and fresh out of high school, Nancy Quinn of Los Gatos flunked the "gem quiz" Tim Fidge gave her. But she, too, was hired as a salesperson.

Like Ms. Finkel, she has since learned to tell the difference between gemstone and paste. She and Juanita Sanchez of Redwood City, who has worked at the store for 18 years, are part-time salespeople. For their "day" jobs, Ms. Quinn works as an occupational therapist and Ms. Sanchez, as a school guidance information specialist.

Susan Fetterly of Atherton is a travel agent who has been working in sales part time at the store for a

year. She met Ms. Fidge as a client. In referring to the impending closure, she says, "I don't want to lose the connection with these guys!"

Leona Baciocco of San Bruno and Mike Dobry from the East Bay are the staff gemologists. Ms. Baciocco has been with the store for eight years and Mr. Dobry for 15.

It has been "worth driving here" all those years for the opportunity to "do things that are different" and use "finer, more unusual stones" than other jewelers, says Mr. Dobry.

Ms. Baciocco plans to "have a nice summer" when Fidge & Co. closes. Mr. Dobry's plans are not yet fixed, but he notes that "the gemological community is not that large," and it was through a colleague that he found his current work.

Harry ("If you can't find it, it's probably on Harry's bench") Tschaplizki of Daly City has been setting diamond stones for 13 years. He also loves to be out on the sales floor, especially when he's mistaken for the manager, says Ms. Fidge.

Lionel Nguyen of San Jose arrived in the U.S. from Vietnam in 1990. A goldsmith for 20 years, he has been at Fidge & Co. for one.

Among its other treasures, the store has a large, antique, iron safe that contains small vials of little gold casting grains that can be melted and molded into

wearable works of art. The store lease expires on July 31, but the discounts displayed on the pieces in the showroom might empty it out before then. If you want a unique setting for your stone, now is the time. ■

Timony Fidge & Co., 642 Santa Cruz Ave., is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The store is closed on Sundays. For information, call 323-4653. For more information on the Tudal Family Winery go to www.tudalwinery.com.



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Designer and goldsmith Lionel Nuygen works on a piece of jewelry in the workshop of Timothy Fidge & Co.



Gemologist Leona Baciocco inspects a ring under the microscope at Timothy Fidge & Co. jewelers in Menlo Park.

Portola Valley picnic venue is Corte Madera School

Portola Valley's annual fun race held on picnic morning — this year, on Saturday, June 9 — will be shorter but perhaps more of a trial since it's mostly uphill.

The race starts at 10 a.m. at the Alpine Inn at 3915 Alpine Road, with registration opening at 9 a.m. The usual finish line and picnic site, about 2.7 miles away at Town Center, has been changed to Corte Madera Middle School at 4575 Alpine Road, a race distance of about 1.6 miles according to a mapping Web site.

The Town Center is unavailable during construction of a new complex expected to include a library, Town Hall and community hall.

Racers receive a unique race-day T-shirt with the \$10 per-person registration fee. There is a discount for families.

At the picnic, the local band Undercover will provide live music, and picnickers can enjoy a vintage car show, a barbecue lunch put on by the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, and kids carnival games, said Carolyn Rogers, chair of the Community Events Committee.

The committee encourages families to avoid

using fossil fuel and instead walk, run or bike to the picnic.

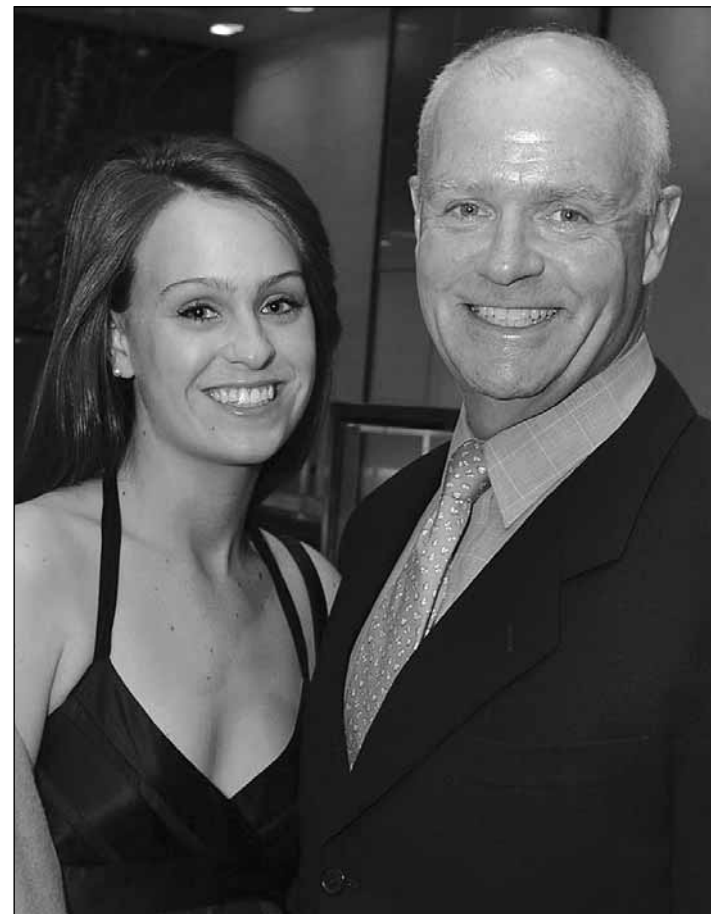
The day officially starts at 11 a.m. The lunch menu will include hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs and salads, plus snacks like popcorn, snow cones and cotton candy. Proceeds from desserts and smoothies will go toward fittings for the new library.

The carnival games will include a dunk tank, an obstacle course, a climbing wall and bouncy house for tots, Ms. Rogers said.

The car show is scheduled to include an appearance by 16-year-old Michael Ramies, who will talk about his racing accomplishments, Ms. Rogers said. A car powered by a hydrogen fuel cell may also be on display.

Expect skits on the idea of a perfect day by middle-school students enrolled in the Portola Valley Theatre Company, Ms. Rogers said. A teen dance is set for the multi-use room on campus that evening.

Anyone interested in volunteering at the picnic can still get involved. Call Ms. Rogers at 303-7220.



Belle of the ball

One of the debutantes of the 2007 Peninsula Ball, Gwen Sullivan, with her father, Robert Sullivan. The annual ball benefits Family & Children Services. Chairs of the ball are Beth Martin of Palo Alto and Nicole Patton of Atherton. Honorary Chair is Sonia McClellan of Atherton.

Marketing executive joins Kepler's board

Michael Hoynes, the former chief marketing officer of the American Booksellers Association, has joined the board of director of Kepler's Books in Menlo Park, Clark Kepler, the CEO of the bookstore announced May 17.

Mr. Hoynes' primary mission at the booksellers association was to develop and execute a national branding campaign for BookSense Inc., an online purchasing service used by bookstores.

He has more than 35 years of strategic and marketing experience, said Kepler's spokesperson Susan Lider.

In the past year, Mr. Hoynes has consulted with Kepler's, "providing insightful and cogent strategic advice," said Mr. Kepler.

"Michael's industry and marketing expertise is just what we need to round out our board and its support for the bookstore," said Mr. Kepler. "He has already provided Kepler's with excellent guidance to help us fulfill our goal of providing the community with the type of bookstore that will continue to serve them for years to come."

Mr. Hoynes' experience includes strategic planning and integrated marketing communications in

several consumer and business marketing categories, including financial services, luxury consumer goods, telecommunications, international destination marketing, tourism and travel.

Prior to working for the ABA, Mr. Hoynes was vice president of marketing at the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), where he was involved with many companies and U.S. government agencies, including domestic and international consumer protection agencies.

Before ANSI, he was executive vice president and worldwide management director for Foote, Cone & Belding, one of the world's largest marketing communications companies, where some of his key clients included the tourism departments of Bermuda, Jamaica and the British Virgin Islands.

"The dedication of Kepler's staff and board, as well as its support by the community, are key to the bookstore successfully moving forward and why I am delighted to be part of this team," said Mr. Hoynes. "I look forward to contributing ideas that will help Kepler's evolve and remain relevant to its customers for generations to come."

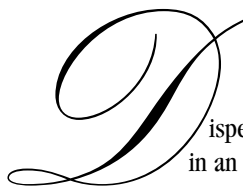
Kepler's Books, which recently

observed its 52nd anniversary, is located at 1010 El Camino Real in Menlo Park. For information, call the store at 324-4321 or go to www.keplers.com.

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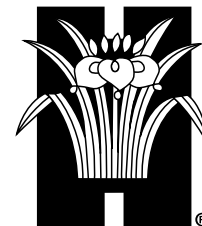
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Local DAR installs new members

Linda Thurlow of Portola Valley was one of three new members installed at the May 21 meeting of the Palo Alto chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, held in Shirley Stokes' garden in Menlo Park.

Ms. Thurlow's patriot is Jethro Libby from Massachusetts.

Maritza Frankfurt and Angelica Voltera, both of Palo Alto, were also installed. Their patriots are Andrew Lyons of Pennsylvania and Moses Chaplin from New Hampshire.

A child's memories of Woodside

By Albert Wagner
Special to the Almanac

Ours was a close and traditional family, and one thing we did every Sunday without fail was to go to a place we simply called "Woodside."

My parents, three siblings and I would drive from Burlingame to our family home in the country on Kings Mountain Road. It was a property of several acres with large oaks spreading above thick green vinca.

At its center was the house where we gathered. Even though my father and his two brothers labored every weekday at the family business, they met yet again on one of their precious free days to sit and relax together.

As a young boy in the 1960s

PERSONAL JOURNAL

Albert Wagner, who lives in Clovis, California, says he has many happy memories of his childhood in Woodside. This is a story about this joyful time of his life in the 1960s. He is the nephew of Marie Wagner Krenz, who has written several columns for the Almanac about her memories of Woodside.

I couldn't wait to explore the surrounding countryside or to splash in the nearby creek.

This was allowed only after my morning chore was done. Before our arrival, our uncles were busy sweeping the driveway loop of the crisp brown oak leaves. My brothers and I had to pick up the piles with old license plates to transport them to the compost pile in the back.

We had many arguments about who got to push the wheelbarrow and who had to scoop the leaves. Being the youngest, I was usually burdened with the latter.

After that I was free to take the neighbor's dog on long walks up into Huddart Park. There were plenty of trees to climb, creeks to ford, and miles of rocky trails to hike. It was heaven.

Sometimes there was a horse show at the Woodside Mounted Patrol. I would sneak in through the bushes to watch a few events and to pet the well-groomed horses. On occasion, I got a mild case of poison oak as punishment for not taking the road and paying my entrance fee.

Returning before 3:30, I had to wash and change into clean clothes for dinner. There were always at least 10 family members at the table plus a few guests.

Dinner was served promptly at 5:00 to allow everyone to return at a reasonable hour to their homes in San Francisco and other parts of the Bay Area.

Frequently there were guests of great-uncle Will or my grandma May. I had to greet lady guests with a kiss and shake the hands of older gentlemen. This ordeal was repeated upon departure.

When I was older I started bringing my own friends. I had to introduce them to everyone there before we could run off to play. I felt pride showing off my family to my friends, because I

thought my family was nice.

At that time I didn't know why my friends sometimes seemed uncomfortable with all this. It was what I did every week. I was occasionally invited to do something with a friend, but my father decreed that family came first, and I went to Woodside.

I often brought my bike to explore even farther from the house. I enjoyed pedaling all over and down the country roads through the tunnels of trees. I sometimes ended up near Searsville Lake. Then I followed the road along the Stanford Accelerator and liked to imagine what exciting discoveries were being made over the fence.

All too soon, I grew up and started college. Sundays were my own at last. In no time I was working at my own job and seldom visited. Then I married and was blessed with a family of my own.

It wasn't until years later that I became aware of how special

my extended family was. My friends weren't uncomfortable; they were amazed to see something unusual. I had a place to go and more important, a close family with whom to enjoy it.

Every guest was treated like a new best friend. Anyone who was invited was always hoping to come back. This was true of my friends who loved being in the country.

I learned important lessons during my childhood: Work before play, respect one's elders, and treat your guests like family and your family like guests.

Now that I live away from the Bay Area, I look forward to my few visits a year to Woodside. Although some of the trees have fallen as have some of the residents, it remains a place of great comfort to me and a joy for my children.

One thing that we don't speak of much in our family is Love. We don't have to, we live it. ■



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Three working groups are being set up for specific areas: the Ravenswood salt ponds stretching east from Bayfront Park in Menlo Park past the Dumbarton Bridge; the Alviso/Santa Clara area; and Eden Landing near Hayward.

The working groups will help with planning restoration and reviewing ecological studies. They will also give input on local questions like kayak launching sites, locations for viewing platforms, and public access.

Anyone interested in participating should call Anna Schneider of the California Coastal Conservancy at 510-286-0325, or aschneider@scc.ca.gov.

For information, go to southbayrestoration.org, and click on 2007 Working Groups.

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MEETINGS, MUSIC, THEATER, FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Special Events

Opera at Ladera. A Gala Concert of passionate moments from opera, operetta, musical theater and the concert stage. Sat., May 26, 7 p.m. \$10 suggested donation. Ladera Community Church, 3300 Alpine Road, Portola Valley. Call (408) 288-8519/854-5481. www.carlfranz.com

Designer Showcase House Tour. The Jewel in the Hills Showcase Tour, held to benefit the senior pet adoption program at the Humane Society Silicon Valley. Tue.-Sat., May 25-July 6, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. \$30/\$20 students and seniors. Canada College lot # 3, 4200 Farm Hill Blvd., Woodside. Call 995-7141. www.seniorpetadoption.com

Talks/Authors

Natalie Angier: The Canon: A Whirligig Tour of the Beautiful Basics of Science. Bestselling author of three science books, Angier draws on conversations with hundreds of the world's top scientists and her own work as a reporter to create an entertaining, and much needed, guide to scientific literacy, says Kepler's. Thu., May 24, 7:30 p.m. Free. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.keplers.com

POST Lecture Series. Tim Cahill, founding editor of Outside Magazine. May 24, 8-10 p.m. \$22. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. Call 854-7696. openpacetrust.org

"In the Shadow of the Bamiyan Buddhas: Recovering Afghanistan's Buddhist Past." 2007 Stanford Silk Road Lecture Series presents: Professor Paul Harrison, Department of Religious Studies, Stanford University. May 24, 7-8:30 p.m. Free. Stanford University, Building 260, room 113, Stanford. Call 725-2563. http://creees.stanford.edu/PublicEvents_May07.html

Architect Sarah Susanka: "The Not So Big Life: Making Room for What Really Matters." Her "Not So Big" philosophy has sparked an international dialogue about how we inhabit our lives. Wed., May 30, 7:30 p.m. Free. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.keplers.com

British History Public Lecture. Professor Richard Price speaks on "Empire and Its Encounters: The British and the Xhosa, 1820-1860." History Department, 450 Serra Mall, building 200, room 205, Stanford. Call 723-9534.

Helen Simpson: In the Driver's Seat and Ann Packer. Simpson's new book contains stories about single women and wives in various stages of midlife. Packer's "Dive from Clausen's Pier" is a novel about loyalty and self-knowledge. Wed., May 23, 7:30 p.m. Free. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.keplers.com

On Stage

"Playboy of the Western World." This wild, Irish play has its 100th anniversary. Synge wraps blistering truths about family and society in lilting language and outrageous humor with the blarney eventually turning to steel. Thu.-Sun., through June 10. See Web site for show times. \$10-\$25. The Pear Avenue Theatre, 1220 Pear Ave., unit K, Mountain View. Call 254-1148. www.thepear.org

Disney's High School Musical. Performances: May 24, 4:30 p.m.; May 25, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.; May 26, 2:30 p.m. Call 463-4970 for tickets. \$8 adults/\$4 children. Palo Alto Children's Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto.

Tennessee Williams' "Suddenly Last Summer." Tennessee Williams' provocative 1958 play concerning the mysterious death of Sebastian Venable, the sordid truth that could destroy his reputation, and the lengths to which his mother will go to keep it secret forever. May 24-26. \$15 general/\$10 faculty, staff/\$5 seniors, students. Roble Studio Theater, Stanford. Call 725-5838. <http://drama.stanford.edu>

Art Galleries

California Landscapes by Linda Patterson. Capturing the essence of

nature through the media of oils, acrylics and pastels Linda Patterson's paintings are inspired by her appreciation and reverence for the natural environment. Through May 31. Portola Art Gallery, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park. www.portolaartgallery.com

Misplaced Realities/Blurred Perceptions. Paintings by Sheldon Greenberg, explore moments and memories recollected and reinterpreted. Tue.-Sat., through June 9, 11-6 p.m. Free. Spur Projects, 888 Portola Road, Portola Valley. Call 529-2040. www.spurprojects.com

Photography. Nature photography by Gil Draper and Robert Terrebone through May 27; reception Sun., April 29, 4-7 p.m. "Along the Shoreline" focuses on the ocean while Terrebone shows his passion for bark "Among the Trees." Hours: Wed.-Sun., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. The Main Gallery, 1018 Main St., Redwood City. Call 366-8055. www.themaingallery.org

ECYS Summer Workshops. The El Camino Youth Symphony announces three music workshops July 16-27. The workshops are open to Bay Area student musicians ages 6-14 of all instruments. Registration due: June 1. Instructors: Dr. Michail Gelfandbein and Debra Weinberg. First Presbyterian Church, 1140 Cowper St., Palo Alto. www.ecys.org

Introduction to Watercolor. Students learn the fundamentals of working with watercolor including making a watercolor wash, applying glazes and textures, mixing colors and more. May 25-26, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. \$175 members/\$220 non-members. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. Call 364-8300. www.filoli.org

Pique Assiette Workshop. Students learn the French mosaic technique of breaking old china or tile and reassembling them onto table tops, pottery and garden stepping-stones. May 26, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$85 members/\$105 non-members. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. Call 364-8300. www.filoli.org

Auditions

"Sweet Charity." PYT invites youths ages 12-20, plus PYT alumni, to audition for the musical by Neil Simon, Cy Coleman and Dorothy Fields. June 2, 2 p.m. or June 3, 6 p.m. Prepare song and one-minute prose monologue; bring sheet music or instrumental tape or CD. \$160. Performs July 28-Aug. 5. Peninsula Youth Theatre, 2500 Old Middlefield Way, Mountain View. www.pyt.net.org

Disney's 101 Dalmatians Kids. Auditions May 23, 3:45 p.m. for the second Hot Dog Supper Show. Open to ages 8 through high school. Auditions may include cold readings and group improvisation. Show performs on the Magic Castle stage, July 5-14. Palo Alto Children's Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 463-4930. www.city.palo-alto.ca.us/community-services/theater-index.html

Classes/Workshops

Artist Access. Artists and photographers have access to the gardens after hours. Registration limited to artists who work with watercolor, pen, pencil, charcoal, pastels and photography. No oils or acrylics. Pre-registration recommended. Third Thursdays, through Oct. 18, 3:30-6:30 p.m. \$20 members/\$25 non-member per day. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. www.filoli.org

Concerts

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Adrian Sanborn's Senior Flute Recital. Adrian, a Paly senior, has studied flute since 2000 with Greer Ellison. He currently performs with the San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra and the Stanford Flute Ensemble. May 27, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free. Unitarian Universalist Church, 505 E. Charleston Road, Palo Alto. Call 328-3033.

CSMA Faculty Chamber Ensemble. A program of music by Barber, Handel, Tchaikovsky, Warlock and Ysaye, with solos by CSMA's Merit Scholarship Students and Faculty. Sponsored by Applied Materials; with support from the Guzik Foundation. Media sponsor: Classical 102.1 KDFC. May 24, 7-8:30 p.m. Free. Community School of Music and Arts, 230 San Antonio Circle, Mountain View. www.arts4all.org

Simon Preston, organ. Noted organist Simon Preston plays works by Mendelssohn, Schumann, Jongen and others on the Murray

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LIVESTOCK AND ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

Meets fourth Wednesday of each month, 5:30 p.m.; appointment for a one-year term.

The Committee advises the Planning Director on applications for commercial stable permits, dog kennel permits, and exception requests to the private stable regulations.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Meets first Thursday of each month, 7:30 pm; appointments for two-year and one-year terms.

The Committee guides the activities of the community recreation programs.

Committees are volunteer positions and serve in an advisory capacity to the Town Council.

Interested residents may request information and applications Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-12 noon and 1:00-5:00 p.m. at Town Hall, 2955 Woodside Road, on the web site at www.woodsidesidetown.org, or telephone (650) 851-6790. Deadline for applications is Friday, June 1, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

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Harris organ. May 23. 8 p.m. \$10/\$5/Free. Memorial Church, 450 Serra Mall, Stanford. Call 723-2720. <http://music.stanford.edu/Events/calendar.html>

Stanford Wind Ensemble. Wed., May 30, 8

23, 8 p.m. The Stanford Wind Ensemble under the direction of Giancarlo Aquilanti presents A. Reed's Armenian Dances, J. de Meij's La Quintessa, and O. Reed's La Fiesta Mexicana. \$10/Free. Dinkelspiel Auditorium, 471 Lagunita Dr., Stanford. Call 723-2720. <http://music.stanford.edu/Events/calendar.html>

University Singers. Wed., May 30, 8 p.m. The University Singers under the baton

of Robert Huw Morgan are joined by special guest artists The Whole Noyse to present Monteverdi's Vespers in the Baroque splendour of Memorial Church. \$10/\$5. Memorial Church, 450 Serra Mall, Stanford. Call 723-2720. <http://music.stanford.edu/Events/calendar.html>

Dance

L'Ecole de Danse Ballet 20th Anniversary Performance. Artistic director Christine Morgan. Showcases students of the school in Paquita, Napoli, Hearbeat and more. June 2, 7 p.m.; June 3, 1 p.m. Tickets available 30 minutes prior to the performance or in advance call 858-2620. \$15. Cubberley Community Center Theater, 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 858-2620. www.lecolededanse.net/performance2007.html

Exhibits

"Service Above Self: 100 Years of Rotary." Temporary exhibit explores the work of the Rotary clubs of district 5150, which includes Marin, San Francisco and San Mateo Counties. Exhibit includes memorabilia, photographs and video that highlight the service projects completed by the clubs. Through Nov. 3. Museum Admission \$4 adults/\$2 seniors and students. San Mateo County History Museum, 2200 Broadway, Redwood City. Call 299-0104. www.historysmc.org

100 Years at the Williams House. Exhibit celebrates the 100th birthday of the Williams House through revisiting the life and times of the family who built and occupied the home. Exhibit examines life from 1907 to the 1930s. Through June 3. Fri.-Sun., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Museum of American Heritage, 351 Homer Ave., Palo Alto. Call 321-1004. www.moah.org

Bare Witness: Photographs by Gor-

don Parks. Exhibition comprised of 73 photographs that were selected by the artist African American photographer, filmmaker, and author Gordon Parks. Hours: Wed.-Sun., 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thu., 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Through July 1. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Dr., Stanford. Call 723-3469. <http://museum.stanford.edu>

Lyrical Lines in Bloom Calligraphy Exhibition. A visual rhythm in lettering through a collection of handmade books, paintings and canvas banners. Through June 17, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; meet the artists May 26. Free with paid admission. Filoli, 86 Canada Road, Woodside. Call 364-8300. www.filoli.org

Mandala Art Exhibit. Artist Maia Apolonia Rode creates luminous mandalas in colored pencil and collages with spiritual themes. Mon.-Thu., 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Fri., 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sun., noon-6 p.m. Free. Institute of Transpersonal Psychology, 1069 E. Meadow Circle, Palo Alto. Call 493-4430 ext. 254. www.shivalotus.com

Michael Rosenthal Contemporary Art Presents. "Cinderella Series" by William Wegman and "Stung" by Anya Spielman. Through June 9. Free. Michael Rosenthal, 2317 Broadway, suite 110, Redwood City. Call 369-1948.

Kids & Families

"James and the Giant Peach." Peninsula Youth Theatre will conclude its 2006-07 Stories on Stage season with a dramatization of the book by Roald Dahl. May 25, 9:30 and 11 a.m. May 26, 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$5-\$7. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. www.pyt.net

Acterra Family Movie Night. "Ring of Bright Water" the story of Mij, a cuddly pet shop otter who captures the heart of Londoner Graham Merrill, and their adventures while exploring the natural wonders of coastal Scotland. May 25, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free; donations accepted. Peninsula Conservation Center, 3921 E. Bayshore Road, Palo Alto. Call 962-9876 ext. 306. www.acterra.org

Deer Hollow Farm Tours. June 16, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tour a working homestead farm with trained docents. Benefits scholarship fund. Includes short film. \$5 adults/\$2 children/under 2 free. Deer Hollow Farm, Rancho San Antonio County Park, Los Altos Hills. Call 965-FARM. www.fodhf.org

GISSV Presents Musical and Annie Jr.. May 24-25, 7 p.m. \$5/\$10. German International School of Silicon Valley, 310 Easy St., Mountain View. Call 254-0748. www.gissv.org

Infant Storytime. For infants ages 0-18 months. Wednesdays, 10 a.m. Music, finger-plays, and puppets. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside.

Pirate Story Time. Sun., May 27, 11:30 a.m. Free. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Call 324-4321. www.keplers.com

Toddler Musical Storytime. Bring in your toddlers for finger plays, stories, songs and fun. 11-11:30 a.m. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside.

Wild About Spanish Free Open House. Free try outs to help families decide on joining for summer or academic year programs. Pre-registration required. May 25. Unity Church of Palo Alto, 3391 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. Call 814-5299. www.WildAboutSpanish.org

Woodside Library Summer Reading Club. Kids, "Get a Clue" at the library and read all summer long to earn prizes. June 1-Aug. 31, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside. Call 851-0147.

Zun Zun Performs Water Music. Musical program with an environmental message that highlights a variety of instruments. Zun Zun encourages audience participation and humor. Sponsored by the San Mateo County Department of Environmental Health. May 23, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside. Call 851-0147.

Film

"Late Autumn." Film revisits the theme of a parent trying to convince a sheltered daughter to leave the nest and embark on the next phase of her life, marriage. May 25, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free. Cubberley Auditorium, 485 Laussen Mall, Stanford. Call 725-2742. www.japan1960.blogspot.com

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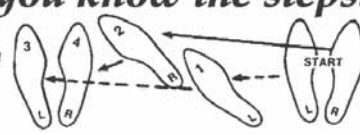
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Hills alive with 'The Sound of Music' in Woodside

Woodside School's eighth-grade class is performing the classic musical "The Sound of Music" by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II on June 6-9 at the school's Sellman Auditorium. Already tickets are selling quickly.

This local production opens with a twilight show on Wednesday, June 6, at 5:30 p.m. On that night only, parents will be selling a pizza and salad dinner beforehand. The rest of the shows will start at 7 p.m. on June 7, 8 and 9.

"We picked a popular but complicated show that has never been done here before, because we knew we had the right group of 36 students to pull it off," says co-producer Donna Losey.

"A handful of the kids have done Woodside Community Theatre, appeared in outside productions, and sung in chorus over the years, so we knew we had enough talent to cast the show," she says.

Her daughter, Brigitte, plays the lead role of Maria, a postulant who ends up leaving an abbey in Austria in 1938 to become a nanny for the von Trapp family of seven children. The musical is based on the true story of the Trapp Family Singers.

Graeson Topper appears as Captain von Trapp, with fellow classmates acting as his children: Devon McNaughton, Holden Bamford, Katelynn Degnan, Maxime Rappaport, Chandler Johnson, Stephanie Yakupitiyage and Laura Fracchia.

LeeAnn Patrick plays the captain's girlfriend, Elsa, and Patrick Daly is Max, their mutual friend. Sam Kelley stars as Rolf, the pivotal character who sings, "Sixteen Going on Seventeen." Nicole Kowtko plays the Mother Abbess, the main voice behind the uplifting song, "Climb Ev'ry Mountain."

Once again, music director



Photo by Kate Daly

Performing as Elsa, Captain von Trapp, Max and Maria are, from left, LeeAnn Patrick, Graeson Topper, Patrick Daly and Brigitte Losey.

Ruthanne Rose Smith joins director Elena Mori to stage this eighth-grade operetta, a tradition going back some 50 years at the school.

"This is one of the most challenging operettas, from the sets, to the Latin, to heavy script content, but this class has really stepped up to the plate," Ms. Mori says.

"Visually, the show is going to be very exciting," she adds, knowing that a handy volunteer parent and student group has been putting in countless hours to create about a dozen sophisticated sets.

Parents Akio and Steve Patrick are heading up set design and construction, with scenic

artistry added by Michelle Rappaport.

Many parents get involved with the production, such as co-producer Kate Daly, because their children are interested in drama. Yet, other parents do so because they, too, like the stage. Mike Losey and Mark Degnan, for example, performed in their own eighth-grade operettas at Woodside School, and are delighted to see their daughters have their own turn in the spotlight.

Mr. Degnan recalls portraying a werewolf in a vampire musical back in the 1970s and being glad he only had to growl for the part, whereas he says his daughter is enjoying delivering a number of

sassy lines as Louisa von Trapp.

"The Sound of Music" debuted in New York in 1959, and after being performed around the world, is considered one of the most beloved musicals of all time.

Songs such as "My Favorite Things" and "Edelweiss" continue to be crowd pleasers for all

ages.

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students of high school age and under. Order forms are online at www.woodside.k12.ca.us. Click on "8th Grade Operetta." Or call the school at 851-1571. Woodside School is located at 3195 Woodside Road in Woodside.

At Kepler's: Hitchens takes on religion

Controversial author Christopher Hitchens will speak at Kepler's at noon Friday, May 25, on his most recent book, "God Is Not Great: How Religion Poisons Everything."

In the book, Hitchens writes of the increasingly dangerous

role of religion in the world. In the tradition of Bertrand Russell's "Why I Am Not a Christian" and Sam Harris's recent bestseller, "The End of Faith," Hitchens makes the case against religion.

"He documents the ways in

which religion is a man-made wish, a cause of dangerous sexual repression, and a distortion of our origins in the cosmos," says Kepler's.

Kepler's bookstore is at 1010 El Camino Real in Menlo Park. For more information, go to <http://www.keplers.com> or call 324-4321.



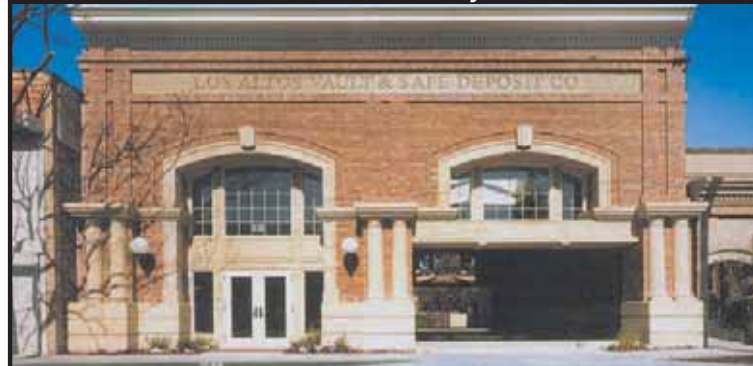
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Local named official artist of Menlo Horse Show

Jolyn Montgomery, a native of Portola Valley who currently resides in Woodside, is the official artist for the Menlo Charity Horse Show, to be held August 7-12 at the Menlo Circus Club in Atherton.

Ms. Montgomery's mixed media portrait "Hunter" will be featured on the horse show entry books, invitations, programs, T-shirts and mugs.

The original work will be auctioned off at the Friday evening gala Sponsors' Dinner.

The Menlo Charity Horse Show, with more than 600 horses entered, has been Northern California's premier hunter-jumper show for years, says spokesperson Nan Chapman.

The NorCal Hunter Jumper Association has named it "Horse

Show of the Year" for many years.

Betsy Glikbarg is the founder and co-chair of the event, which last year raised \$440,000 for Vista Center for the Blind & Visually Impaired, a nonprofit organization serving the residents of San Mateo and other counties. Proceeds from this year's show will benefit the center as well.

Admission to the horse show is \$10 per day or \$35 for a 6-day pass. Children under 12 and seniors over 65 are admitted free.

For more information, go to www.menlohorseshow.com (where you can also find pictures from past horse shows) or call Nan Chapman at 701-0543.



"Hunter" is the name of this mixed media on canvas by Jolyn Montgomery. Ms. Montgomery's other work can be viewed at www.jolynmontgomery.com.

Tim Cahill gives POST lecture

Tim Cahill, founding editor of Outside magazine and prolific travel writer, will give the final lecture of the Wallace Stegner series for the Peninsula

Open Space Trust (POST) on Thursday, May 24, at 8 p.m., at the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, at 500 Castro St.

The award-winning author has penned numerous books and articles with titles such as "A Wolverine Is Eating My Leg." He's lived to write about getting up close to great white sharks, sailing in below-30 degree Antarctic weather, and

trekking Death Valley in mid-summer.

Tickets at \$22 each may be purchased from the box office at 903-6000. For more information, call POST at 854-7696, or go to www.openspacetrust.org.

Women wanted to design video games

Canada College in Woodside is looking for women who might like to try a career in designing video games.

The 3D Animation and Video Game Art Program is in its second year at Canada. The program's new four-year outreach to women is funded from the college's share of a \$2 million grant to California from the National Science Foundation.

The outreach is part of the CalWomenTech Project, sponsored by the National Institute of Women in Trades, Technology & Science.

The certificate program offers a low-cost way to use "the latest software" in an up-to-date studio and break into the video-game industry or transfer to a four-year college or university, said Canada spokesman Robert Hood.

"Women, minorities, and low-income students are not represented in large numbers in educational programs that feed into the game industry," said Jean Mecorney, professor of multimedia at the college. "We want to open that pipeline and, ultimately, have different perspectives represented in video games."

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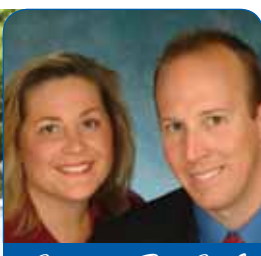


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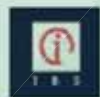
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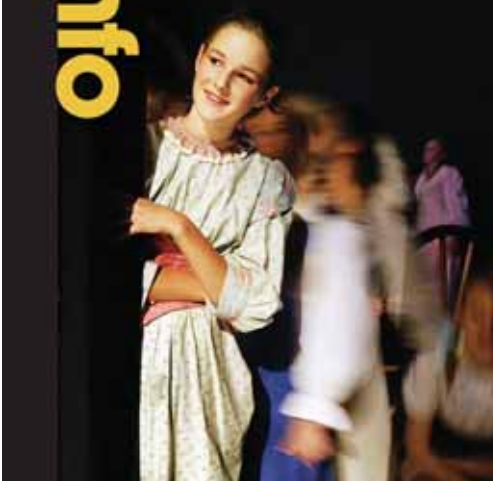
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 220288
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Dino's Auto Body, 1531 Old County Road, San Carlos, CA 94070: George Dino Costelli, 747 Linden Avenue, Burlingame, CA 94010 This business is being conducted by an individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on May 9, 2007. (Almanac May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2007)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 220152
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, Archaeo-Logical, 325M Sharon Park Drive, #539, Menlo Park, CA 94025: Roger Margulies, 1319 Orange Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025; Ron Winters, 109 Calle Paula, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 This business is being conducted by a General Partnership. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on May 2, 2007. (Almanac May 23, 30, June 6, 13 2007)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 220087
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, RHI Executive Search, 2884 Sand Hill Road, Suite 200, Menlo Park, CA 94025: Robert Half International, Inc. 2884 Sand Hill Road, Suite 200, Menlo Park, CA 94025 This business is being conducted by a Corporation. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on February 14, 2007. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on April 30, 2007. (Almanac May 23, 30, June 6, 13 2007)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 220292
The following individual(s) is (are) doing business as, NorCal Realty, 1265 Lower Vista Grande, Millbrae, CA 94030: Sandy Luo, 1265 Lower Vista Grande, Millbrae, CA 94030 This business is being conducted by an individual. Registrant began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on May 9, 2007. (Almanac May 23, 30, June 6, 13 2007)

997 All Other Legals

SECTION A1 - NOTICE REQUESTING BIDS

WEST BAY SANITARY DISTRICT
Addition and Renovation to the West Bay Sanitary District Building Shell and Interior Improvements

Sealed proposals for the Addition and Renovation to the West Bay Sanitary District Building Shell and Interior Improvements will be received at the West Bay Sanitary District, 500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, California 94025 until 2:00 PM on Wednesday, June 6, 2007 at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bids shall be labeled "West Bay Sanitary District, Proposal for ADDITION AND RENOVATION TO THE WEST BAY SANITARY DISTRICT BUILDING SHELL AND INTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT."

The Work will include the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment, and other appurtenances for the demolition of a one-story structure and the construction of a two-story structure office building with site improvements at 500 Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA.

The contract documents may be inspected at the office of the West Bay Sanitary District; Daily Construction Services, 80 Swan Way #130, Oakland, California 94621; Peninsula Builders Exchange, 735 Industrial Way, San Carlos, California 94070; Santa Clara Builders Exchange, 400 Reed Street, Santa Clara, California 95050; Builders Exchange of Alameda County, 3055 Alvarado Street, San Leandro, California 94577; and, Contractor Info Network, 1629 Pollasky, Suite 113, Clovis, California 93612.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of the West Bay Sanitary District upon payment of a check or money order in the amount of \$40.00 for each set. The check or money order must be issued to the West Bay Sanitary District. All payments are nonrefundable.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 am on Wednesday, May 9, 2007 at the West Bay Sanitary District Office in Menlo Park, California.

Each bid proposal shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or a proposal guaranty bond payable to the order of the West Bay Sanitary District in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid as a guaranty that the bidder will execute the contract if it be awarded to him in conformity with the proposal. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond in an amount not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price and a labor and material bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

The District ("Owner") reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to determine which proposal is, in the judgment of the District, the lowest responsible bid of a responsible bidder or group of bidders and which proposal should be accepted in the best interest of the District. The District also reserves the right to waive any informalities in any proposal or bid.

Bid proposals received after the time announced for the opening will not be considered. No bidder may withdraw his proposal after the time announced for the opening, or before award and execution of the contract, unless the award is delayed for a period exceeding forty-five (45) days.

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Contract Code Section 22300, and upon the request and at the expense of the Contractor, securities equivalent to the amount withheld by the District to insure performance under the Contract may be deposited with the District, or with a state or federally chartered bank as escrow agent who shall deliver such securities to the Contractor upon satisfactory completion of the contract. Only those securities listed in Government Code Section 16430 or other securities approved by the District are eligible for deposit. The deposit of securities with an escrow agent or the District shall be made in the form and on such terms and conditions as the District may require to protect the interest of the District in the event of the Contractor's default. The Contractor shall be the beneficial owner of any securities that are deposited and shall receive any interest thereon.

Pertaining to Sections 1770, 1773, and 1773.1 of the California Labor Code the successful bidder shall pay not less than the prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. Copies of such prevailing rates are on file at the District office of the West Bay Sanitary District and which copies shall be made available to any interested party on request. The successful bidder shall post a copy of such determinations at each job site.

In accordance with the provisions of California Public Contract Code Section 3300, the District has determined that the Contractor shall possess a valid Class B License at the time that the contract is awarded. Failure to possess the specified license(s) shall render the bid as non-responsive and shall act as a bar to award of the contract to any bidder not possessing said license(s) at the time of award.

West Bay Sanitary District
Board of Directors
San Mateo County, California

/s/ _____

Dated: 4/9/07
Published in the Almanac, April 18, May 23, 2007

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF San Mateo No. CIV462482 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Sarah Buckley, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Sean Charles Stuart to Sean Charlton Stuart. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: June 7, 2007, 9:00 a.m., Dept. 21, Rm 2E. Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, 400 County Center, Redwood City, CA 94063. A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Almanac. Date: April 24, 2007 /s/ JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT (Almanac 5/2, 9, 16, 23, 2007)

TSG No.: 3238844 TS No.: 20079019201367 FHA/VA/PMI No.: Notice Of Trustee's Sale YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 3/1/2006 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 6/5/2007 at 12:30 PM First American Loanstar Trustee Services, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 03/09/2006, as Instrument No. 2006-034090, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of San Mateo County, State of California. Executed by: Edgar Bowie, a married man as his sole and separate property, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check/cash equivalent or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) At the Marshall St. entrance to the Hall of Justice and Records, 400 County Center, Redwood City, CA All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: As more fully described in the above mentioned Deed of Trust APN# 063-153-150-6 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2181 Addison Ave , Palo Alto, CA 94303 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation

secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$613,511.88 The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. Date: 5/16/2007 First American Title Insurance Company First American LoanStar Trustee Services 3 First American Way Santa Ana, CA 92707 First American Loanstar Trustee Services may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Original document signed by Authorized Agent Teresa Marianos - For Trustee's Sale Information Please Call (714) 573-1965 P291262 5/16, 5/23, 05/30/2007 (Almanac 5/16, 23, 30, 2007)

Trustee Sale No. 2007-002 Loan No. P18167 Title Order No. 56701-95900724 APN 063-221-260 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/19/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 6/6/2007 at 12:30PM, at the Marshall Street entrance to the Hall of Justice and Records, 400 County Center, Redwood City, Ca., Associated Real Estate Administrators as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 12/30/2005 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of San Mateo County, California, executed by: Maureen Wilson and Peter Farrell as Trustor, Hugo A. Bravo and Riza M. Bravo, as Beneficiary, Will Sell At Public Auction To The Highest Bidder For Cash (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). At: At the Marshall St. entrance to the Hall of Justice and Records, 400 County Center, Redwood City, CA, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: EXHIBIT "A" Parcel One: Parcel D. as shown on that certain map entitled, "parcel map of the lands described in deed recorded July 17, 1974 in vol. 6658 O. R. 90 (series #63938AH) official records of San Mateo County California, City of East Palo Alto, San Mateo County, California," filed in the office of the recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California on June 13, 1985 in book 55 of parcel maps at page 100. Reserving therefrom, an easement for the purposes of ingress, egress and utility over and across that certain portion of parcel D designated as "Jamie Lane (A Private Road)" on the parcel map referred to above, to be appurtenant to, and for the benefit of, parcels B and C as said parcels are shown on the parcel map referred to above. Assessors Parcel No: 063-221-280 Parcel Two-A: Parcel C, as shown on that certain map entitled, "parcel map of the lands described in deed recorded July 17, 1974 in vol. 6658 O. R. 90 (series #63938AH) official records of San Mateo County California, City of East Palo Alto, San Mateo County, California," filed in the office of the recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California on June 13, 1985 in book 55 of parcel maps at page 100. Parcel Two-B: A non-exclusive easement for ingress, egress and utility purposes over and across that certain portion of parcel D designated as "Jamie Lane (A Private Road)" on the parcel map referred to above, to be appurtenant to, and for the benefit of, parcel B and C as said parcels are shown on the parcel map referred to above. Assessors Parcel No: 063-221-270 Parcel Three-A: Parcel B, as shown on that certain map entitled, "parcel map of the lands described in deed recorded July 17, 1974 in vol. 6658 O. R. 90 (series #63938AH) official records of San Mateo County California, City of East Palo Alto, San Mateo County, California," filed in the office of the recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California on June 13, 1985 in book 55 of parcel maps at

page 100. Parcel Three-B: A non-exclusive easement for ingress, egress and utility purposes over and across that certain portion of parcel D designated as "Jamie Lane (A Private Road)" on the parcel map referred to above, to be appurtenant to, and for the benefit of, parcels B and C as said parcels are shown on the parcel map referred to above. Assessors Parcel No: 063-221-260, 063-221-270 and 063-221-280 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to wit: \$508,545.17 (Estimated) Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The Undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. Date: 5/7/2007 Associated Real Estate Administrators 1845 Hamilton Avenue San Jose, CA 95125 (408) 559-5099 Michele Nuovo, Foreclosure Officer P292074 5/16, 5/23, 05/30/2007 (Almanac 5/16, 23, 30 2007)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Carl Countryman, aka Carl C. Countryman and Carl Clarence Countryman. #116434 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Carl Countryman, aka Carl C. Countryman and Carl Clarence Countryman. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: Carolyn K. Countryman in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN MATEO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Carolyn K. Countryman be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 15, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 14 of the Superior Court of California, San Mateo County, located at 400 County Center, Redwood City, CA 94063. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 9100 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner: /s/ George A. Malloch, P.O. Box 922, Brookdale, CA 95007, (831) 338-2483 (Almanac 5/16, 23, 30, 2007)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Alfred Edward Robinson, #116429 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Alfred Edward Robinson, Bob Robinson, Bobbie Robinson. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by: Nancy Louise Robinson in the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Nancy Louise Robinson be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 11, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 14 of the Superior Court of California, San Mateo County, located at 400 County Center, Redwood City, CA 94063. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 9100 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner: /s/ George A. Malloch, P.O. Box 922, Brookdale, CA 95007, (831) 338-2483 (Almanac 5/16, 23, 30, 2007)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES Date of Filing Application: January 11, 2007 To Whom It May Concern: The Name(s) of Applicant(s) is/are: Safeway Inc. The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at: El Camino Real & Middle Avenue NWC, Menlo Park, CA 94025-5108 Type of license(s) Applied for: 21 - Off-Sale General (Almanac 5/23, 30, 6/6, 2007)

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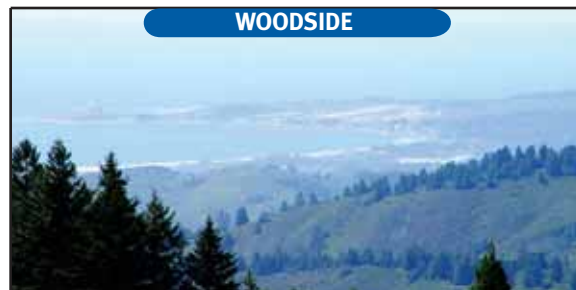


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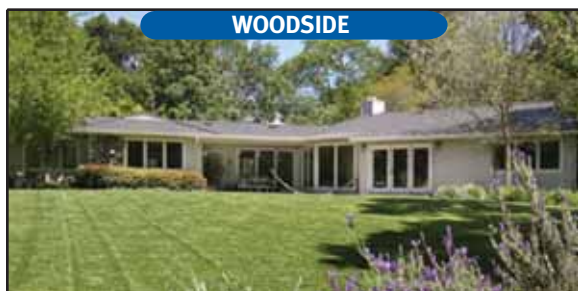


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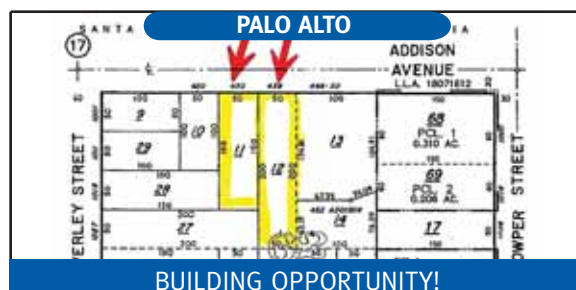
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