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**WEST BAY SANITARY DISTRICT**

By: /s/ Phil Scott  
Phil Scott  
District Manager

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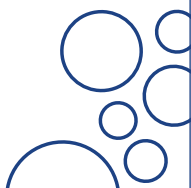
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# Local News

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## Consultant skeptical of FAA's interest in reducing aircraft noise

By Dave Boyce  
Almanac Staff Writer

### ■ PORTOLA VALLEY

An airline industry consulting firm, hired by the town of Portola Valley, is skeptical of a Federal Aviation Administration's proposal to analyze noise generated by aircraft crossing the Santa Cruz Mountains on the way into San Francisco International Airport.

In a seven-page letter to the FAA, unanimously approved by the Town Council on Jan. 13, Williams Aviation Consultants of Gilbert, Arizona, used the word "unfortunately"

seven times. According to the consultant, the FAA's proposal "unfortunately:"

■ Does not specify completion dates for the FAA's noise analysis.

■ Does not specify which aircraft operations procedures would be analyzed.

■ Does not show intentions of including the Portola Valley, Woodside and Ladera communities in the analysis of the area around the aircraft navigation beacon in the hills above Woodside.

■ Does not account for the unready state of technology expected to lessen noise-generating routines by pilots.

■ Does not commit the FAA to involving itself with the public, at least not during the first phase of the initiative.

In a staff report, interim Town Manager Debbie Pedro put the cost of the letter at \$3,500, about a fourth of a \$13,000 budget approved by the council to engage a consultant skilled in the language and practices of the airline industry and its regulator, the FAA.

### Years of complaints

Residents in and around Portola Valley have been complaining to the FAA and airport officials for many years about the altitude, frequency and noise of commercial aircraft flying into SFO.

Rep. Anna Eshoo, D-Menlo Park, extracted an agreement with the FAA in 2001 that requires arriving aircraft to stay at least

8,000 feet above sea level when passing over the navigation beacon in the Woodside hills. But flights continue to violate that minimum altitude despite another letter from Ms. Eshoo in 2005.

Air-traffic authorities have argued that noise management is secondary to traffic management in a crowded airspace, and that air-traffic controllers need flexibility in three-dimensional space in order to keep aircraft at a safe distance from each other.

An analysis of 2009-12 data by Portola Valley resident Dr. Tina Nguyen, Woodside resident Jim Lyons and others showed 88 per-

cent of flights overflying the beacon at altitudes below 8,000 feet, and about 28 percent below 6,000 feet. An experienced commercial pilot, asked in 2012 about this specific behavior, told the Almanac that noise-abatement policies such as an 8,000-foot minimum are a low priority for pilots and air-traffic controllers.

In 2014, the FAA released a draft environmental impact report about plans to optimize use of the airspace in Northern California, including "new" routes into major Bay Area airports. The report projected airport arrival routes out to 2019 and found no significant noise impacts on the ground, a claim disputed by local activists.

Portola Valley council members have made efforts toward a dialogue — by attending airport community roundtable discussions, by visiting an air-traffic control center, and by spending an evening in a workshop with FAA officials, all to no apparent avail.

In 2015, Ms. Eshoo and two of her Congressional colleagues from the Peninsula questioned the FAA about noise issues, and the agency responded in November with its proposal to "address noise concerns" in the four counties west of SFO.

The FAA invited comments on their proposal, and the Portola

Residents have been complaining of aircraft noise for years.



Photo by Michelle Le/The Almanac

This section of the Atherton Channel on Marsh Road, between Middlefield and Bay roads, is scheduled to be rebuilt by Atherton once the rains stop. This photo was taken on Jan. 22.

## Atherton to rebuild channel, but faces traffic challenges

By Barbara Wood  
Almanac Staff Writer

Atherton finally has what it needs to rebuild the crumbling Atherton Channel drainage culvert next to Marsh Road — funding and permits.

Now what the town needs to worry about, City Council members said when they met Jan. 20, are the problems that may be caused by closing down at least one lane of Marsh Road during construction. At times both lanes will have to be closed, Community Services Director Mike Kashiwagi told them.

Marsh Road is used by many commuters because it intersects with U.S. 101 and Bayfront Expressway. It is also a major response route for the Menlo Park Fire Protection District and other emergency vehicles.

Parts of the Atherton Channel, which carries storm water from much of Atherton to the Bay, were built as early as the late 1800s when the first big estates went up in Atherton, a recent consultant's report says. Council members saw evidence of that age first-hand when they walked through parts of the then-dry channel in November.

The section that is to be rebuilt is along Marsh Road between Middlefield Road and the border with Redwood City, near Bay Road. It now has a concrete bottom with mortared stone side walls, some of them 9 feet high. It is separated from Marsh only by a chain link fence, which has been broken through by errant motorists at

least four times since March 2015.

The new channel will be a U-shaped reinforced concrete culvert, designed so it could possibly later be closed in, with a steel guard rail to deter cars from entering.

Mr. Kashiwagi told the council that the project had received the last of the environmental clearances and permits it needs just hours before the council meeting, and could soon go out to bid. He said the town hopes to choose a contractor by mid-March so work could be completed before rains start again in mid-October.

The town will have to wait to see the proposal from its chosen contractor before it can know more about the timing of lane closures, but council members worried the closures could affect everything from the fire district's emergency response times to even the town's garbage rates.

Closed lanes on Marsh Road are "going to have an effect not only on us, but everybody around us," Councilman Bill Widmer said.

He said that, for example, Recology, Atherton's garbage company, is scheduled to be auditing the hours needed to service Atherton during the period Marsh could be closed. If trucks are delayed on Marsh while the count is made, it could add time to the total and raise Atherton's garbage rates for the following year, he said.

Mr. Kashiwagi said that if the work isn't done, the channel could fail. "It is going to be an impact, but it is going to be a scheduled one,

At least one lane of Marsh Road will be closed during construction.

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February 3, 2016**

**6:00 PM**

### PUBLIC HEARING

2. Laurene Powell Jobs ASRB2015-0035, CUSE2015-0005, GPAM2015-0001, ZOAM2015-0005, MERG2015-0003, XPAV2016-0001  
460 Mountain Home Road Planner: Sean Mullin, Associate Planner

Review and recommendation of approval, conditional approval, or denial to the Town Council, to construct a new single-story main residence with a basement, a barn with a basement, 8 accessory structures, 3 swimming pools, 2 new vehicular gates, fencing, and other landscaping and site improvements. The proposal requires Planning Commission review of a Conditional Use Permit for a greenhouse exceeding 250 square feet pursuant to WMC 153.026.

The proposal includes a Lot Merger between 460 Mountain Home Road and 95 Robles Drive, two properties with differing General Plan Land Use Designations (R and R-ESA) and Zoning (RR and SCP-5). The proposal requires Town Council approval of an Amendment to the General Plan to change the General Plan Land Use Designation of the 95 Robles Drive property from Residential (R) to Residential/Environmentally Sensitive Area (R-ESA) to match the adjacent lot at 460 Mountain Home Road; and an Amendment to the Zoning Code to change the Zoning of the 95 Robles Drive property from Rural Residential (RR) to Special Conservation Planning – 5 Acre Minimum (SCP-5) to match the adjacent lot at 460 Mountain Home Road. The Planning Commission will provide a recommendation to the Town Council regarding the proposed General Plan Amendment and Zone Change.

3. Jacques Benkoski VARI2015-0007 & VARI2015-0008  
117 Glenwood Avenue Planner: Corinne Jones, Assistant Planner

Review and approval/denial of Variances to the setback requirements and the restriction on increasing the footprint of non-conforming structures, to permit additions to a non-conforming main residence that encroaches into the front, rear and both side setbacks. *This item was continued to a date uncertain from the January 6, 2016, Planning Commission hearing, to allow the applicant to return with a project redesign which is responsive to neighbors and Planning Commission concerns.*

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

## Woodside Bakery gets reprieve to mid-March

By **Dave Boyce**  
Almanac Staff Writer

For now, the popular Woodside Bakery & Cafe at 3052 Woodside Road has until March 15 before the gas pilot lights of its stove tops dim and go dark.

A mid-March deadline represents a two-month extension on the original demand from the Roberts family that, according to restaurant co-owners Mark and Jan Sweyer, required them to vacate the premises by Jan. 15.

The restaurant and bakery may stay open beyond March 15, or it may close before that day comes if the Sweyers choose not to remain open, said property co-owner Christine Roberts. The Roberts family owns the Roberts Market supermarkets in Woodside and Portola Valley as well as the complex of shops and restaurants at the northwest corner of Woodside and Canada roads.

A new tenant is making plans for moving into the bakery site, Ms. Roberts said. While the tenant's name is not being disclosed at this point, the business model is a bakery and cafe combination, an echo of the Sweyers' layout. A formal announcement will come after the necessary legal steps and

permit acquisitions are complete, she said.

Ms. Roberts said she is open to talking with the public about the change. "People are welcome to call me," she said. "I think a lot of people are concerned that we are not going to keep the concept the same. We're keeping very much the same concept. ... The community is going to be very happy with the new tenant."

### A new tenant is making plans to move into the bakery site.

The March 15 date is not set in stone. "It's a very fluid situation," Ms. Roberts said. "We're trying (for) as little down time as possible for the community. There's a lot of balls in the air."

Asked to confirm the March 15 date, Mr. Sweyer said he had no comment. The Sweyers have said they are actively looking for a new home for the restaurant, and are in the late stages of setting up a wholesale bakery in the M-2 industrial zone on Constitution Drive in eastern Menlo Park.

"If we have more time for them, they will get it," Ms. Roberts said. "We're trying to give them as much time as we can and (as circumstances) will allow. ... We just don't know what's going to happen. I don't know what (the Sweyers) are going to do. If the time is there, they can stay. Right now, the time is March 15." ■

### CHANNEL

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versus an unscheduled one that could occur" if the channel fails. Marsh Road has also had a lane closed each time a vehicle has gone through the fence next to the channel.

Resident Valerie Gardner, who lives near Marsh Road, recommended that during the work the town consider scheduling one-way traffic, heading toward U.S. 101 in the mornings and heading toward Atherton in the evenings. "Do a little community outreach," she suggested.

The council also promised to consult with the Menlo Park Fire Protection District, and to try to schedule the garbage company's audit so it is not affected by the construction.

One nightmare scenario that was brought up at the meeting now appears unlikely, however. Several speakers mentioned that work on the Willow Road and U.S. 101 interchange could occur at the same time as the project on Marsh Road. City Manager George Rodericks said after the meeting that Menlo Park has since assured him that it is not going to be starting that project this summer. ■

### FAA

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Valley council asked Williams Aviation to draft a point-by-point response.

Councilwoman Ann Wengert complimented Dr. Nguyen on her efforts in working with Williams. They did "as good a job as they could with a report that wasn't designed to really be commented on in the way we were asked to do," Ms. Wengert said.

"Is there really going to be the ability to impact what the FAA has already embarked on?" she asked rhetorically. "There is a fair amount of cynicism, given (the FAA's) past history. ... I think we did the best we could do in making sure we gave Anna sufficient ammunition in her efforts on our behalf." ■

*Go to [tinyurl.com/pvc53r](http://tinyurl.com/pvc53r) and turn to Page 117 for the full report, including the letter and the FAA proposal.*



Almanac photo by Kate Bradshaw

**Moses Moreno** trims the hair of John Field, a longtime client.

## Another longtime barbershop to close in downtown Menlo

By **Kate Bradshaw**  
Almanac Staff Writer

**T**he Master. “Hair Magician.” Therapist. All of these titles have been at various times bestowed on Moses Moreno, a barber who will close his Menlo Park barber shop, Moses Hairstyling, on Jan. 29, after nearly 30 years of operation.

Mr. Moreno plans to retire and close out his 52 years as a hairdresser. “It’s time for the next chapter of my life,” he said. “I feel now it’s time to go smell the roses.”

Moses Hairstyling will be the second barbershop in downtown Menlo Park to close within the month. Golden Shears closed on Jan. 10 after 53 years in business. Mr. Moreno said a new hair salon will go into his shop’s current location.

Moses Moreno was raised farming and ranching in Salinas. His father, who was a farmer, told him: “Learn a trade. Believe in God and in yourself. Be the best you can in what you do.” So, he said, “I chose to become the best barber I ever could be.”

He began his career as a barber

in San Jose, where he worked for two years before moving to the Golden Shears in Menlo Park, where he worked for about two decades. He launched Moses Hairstyling in 1987.

He started this business after

### Moses Hairstyling has been in operation in Menlo Park for nearly 30 years.

his clients insisted they’d follow him from the Golden Shears. His clients even helped him pick out the name. “Casa de Moses,” “Mi Casa Tu Casa” and “Moses Parts Hair” were all suggested before landing on “Moses Hairstyling.” “My vision for Moses Hairstyling was to make my clients feel and look their best. I tried!” he said.

In retirement, he said, he plans to travel with his wife, both for pleasure and for service. He wants to go to Panama first, but also wants to travel on missionary trips with his denomination, United Pentecostal Church International.

In the meantime, though, he

said, “I want to end it right.”

“I would love to leave on my last day with peace and satisfaction that I tried my best,” he said.

He plans to donate the current furnishings of his shop to the American Cancer Society Discovery Shop on Santa Cruz Avenue in Menlo Park.

“I think the main thing that I will miss about the shop is the relationships I had with my clients,” he said. “It was more than just cutting their hair.”

Several clients offered superlatives on the friendships they’d developed with Mr. Moreno over the years:

“He’s the best hairdresser on the Peninsula,” said John Field.

“I’ve never met a nicer man,” said Richard Popp.

“When my wife got ill, he and his wife made us dinner on a couple of occasions,” said Rusty Griner. “He remembers your family, your kid’s name, the trials and tribulations we all deal with, and,” he added, “He gives great bear hugs.”

Mr. Moreno was voted best barber in the Almanac Readers’ Choice poll in 2013, 2014 and 2015. ■

## Car windows smashed at equine therapy center

Deputies don’t yet have a suspect in the case of two Jan. 19 auto burglaries on the grounds of the National Center for Equine-Facilitated Therapy at 880 Runnymede Road in Woodside.

In both incidents, someone entered the vehicles by smashing windows, according to the San Mateo County Sheriff’s Office. The burglar stole a purse, wallet and personal items from one vehicle, but it’s

not known what, if anything, was stolen from the other.

Estimated losses are \$800 in total for damages to the windows of both vehicles, deputies said. Losses from stolen goods have yet to be made public.

## REAL ESTATE Q&A

by Monica Corman



### Buying Early or Waiting

**Dear Monica: We are ready to buy a home in the Mid-Peninsula area and are in a very decent price range. We don’t need a particular elementary or middle school district, but high school is important. How would you suggest we conduct our search? Should we wait until there are more properties on the market?**

– Louise W.

Dear Louise: You are in a good position and how you proceed depends a lot on whether you feel comfortable buying a good property available now, or whether you want to wait to see what is available in the next months. The perfect property can come on the

market now and if you buy it, you have accomplished your goal. Your agent can tell you whether you are making a good decision because she or he knows how the property compares with other properties that have sold recently.

If you don’t feel you have seen enough to know what neighborhood you like best, you should take the time to explore the areas you would consider living in. Learn the relative values of the different locations and decide what appeals to you the most. There are many good choices so you can have confidence that no matter where you decide to live, you will be fine.

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SEALED BIDS will be received at the office of the City Clerk, 91 Ashfield Road, Atherton, California 94027, **until 2:00 p.m.** Pacific Standard Time on **Thursday, February 4, 2016**, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

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## School board may put two parcel taxes on ballot

By Barbara Wood  
Almanac Staff Writer

### ■ MENLO PARK

Instead of asking voters to approve one new parcel tax that is larger than the tax set to expire, the Menlo Park City School District's governing board is considering asking voters to approve two separate parcel tax measures in a special May election. One tax would be at the exact rate of the expiring tax and another would be tied directly to changes in student enrollment.

The board is scheduled to meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 1, to vote on putting the measures on the ballot. If the board approves what was presented Jan. 21, both measures would propose permanent taxes, with no expiration dates.

Property owners in the district now pay four separate parcel taxes — three that are permanent and one that will expire at the end of June 2017. All four taxes can rise each year by the amount of any increase in the Bay Area consumer price index.

The total for all four parcel taxes, which appear as one on tax bills, is \$851.60 for the 2015-16 tax year. The parcel tax due to expire is currently \$201.38 and provides about \$1.58 million annually to the district.

One proposed ballot measure is for a \$201.38 permanent parcel tax. A second measure on the same ballot would ask voters to approve a tax of \$2.20 per parcel for each student who enrolls beyond the 2,938 stu-

dents currently in the district. For example, if the student count in the district rose by 71 students (the increase a consultant has predicted for next school year), the tax would be \$156.20, or \$2.20 times 71. If enrollment increased by only 50 students, the tax would be \$110. The measure would be capped at 213 additional students,

or \$468.60, adjusted for inflation.

Because the second measure is totally dependent on

enrollment, the parcel tax total could vary year to year. If the 71 student prediction is correct, and both measures are approved, the 2017-18 tax bill per parcel would be \$961.60, adjusted by the amount of inflation this year.

If the second parcel tax hit its maximum of a 213 student increase, which is the number of students predicted in five years, the parcel tax in the district would total \$1,320.20 per parcel per year, adjusted for any inflation.

The board does not plan to choose one measure or the other, but wants to put both measures on the ballot for voter approval.

In the proposal shown to the board on Jan. 21, as with all the district's existing parcel taxes, those 65 and older would be able apply for an exemption from the tax, but must do so each year. The new tax could also increase annually with increases in the consumer price index. ■

### One tax might be tied to changes in student enrollment.

## Intruder breaks into occupied home

A man broke into an occupied home in the Emerald Hills area by shattering a glass door Saturday evening, according to sheriff's deputies.

The burglary occurred around 7:45 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, at a residence in the 4000 block of Jefferson Avenue.

The lights were off, but a couple in their 60s was home and in bed at the time of the burglary. The woman found the intruder inside her home and threatened to

release her dog, deputies said.

The suspect fled through the glass door he had broken. Deputies searched the area but did not find him.

The suspect was described as a white or Hispanic man standing 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighing roughly 150 pounds.

Anyone with information about the break-in is asked to call the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office at (650) 363-4911. Anonymous tips can be called in at (800) 547-2700.

## Filmmaker Dorothy Fadiman reflects on four decades of work

By Kate Bradshaw  
Almanac Staff Writer

"It all started with LSD," says Menlo Park filmmaker Dorothy Fadiman, launching into the story of how she began her career as a maker of documentaries, which now spans four decades.

"I had an experience of light," she says. But when she tried to write a book about it, "it just wasn't working." That's when she befriended a filmmaker who asked if she'd ever considered making a film about the experience. "That was 1976," she says.

Her first film, "Radiance: The Experience of Light" (1978) and some of her early works were in the genre of experimental filmmaking, but she transitioned into documentary filmmaking after attending, of all things, a Palo Alto City Council meeting.

In 1982, she says, more than 300 people attended a meeting to argue in favor of a nuclear freeze, asserting that "world peace is a local issue," which became the title of her film.

Just about every film she's made, she says, has touched her life or moved her in some way. Her award-winning documentary series on abortion, for instance, was inspired in part by her own experience of having a back-alley abortion. The first film of the series, "When Abortion was Illegal: Untold Stories" (1992), was nominated for an Oscar for best documentary short subject.

The personal-connection rule was no exception for her most recent project, "The Annie Gill Story," which will premiere Jan. 31 in Palo Alto. She and her



Photo by Michelle Le/The Almanac

**Dorothy Fadiman's** film, "When Abortion was Illegal: Untold Stories," was nominated for an Oscar for best documentary short subject.

daughter stumbled across the story during a benefit concert for the nonprofit Lighthouse for the Blind, when Stephen Gill — her two daughters' favorite teacher at Menlo School — took the stage with his daughter Annie.

Annie had survived a head-on accident and a coma, and had experienced blindness

### ■ SCREENING

"The Annie Gill Story: If Just One Person Believes in You" will premiere during a free screening at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 31, in the El Palo Alto Room of the Mitchell Park Community Center at 3700 Middlefield Road. The event, supported by Abilities United, will be Dorothy Fadiman's "last big screening," she says, and will feature several other of her short films and a mini-concert by Annie and Stephen Gill. Seating is limited and attendees are asked to RSVP to [info@concentric.org](mailto:info@concentric.org).

## Homeowner chases prowler off property

### ■ WOODSIDE

A man who entered an occupied house early on the morning of Jan. 19 in Woodside evaded capture by San Mateo County sheriff's deputies after the homeowner chased the man off his property.

At around 4:15 a.m., the homeowner heard noises from outside his house in the 600 block of Mountain Home Road, according to the Sheriff's Office.

The homeowner got out of bed to investigate and saw an unknown man enter the house through an unlocked door, deputies said. The door had been unlocked for a reason, but that reason is "not being released," deputies said.

The man confronted the homeowner, shining a bright light in his face, then turned around and left the home, deputies said. Neither man said anything. "There was no conversation since they were both startled," deputies said.

The homeowner, a man in his 50s, chased the intruder for several hundred yards until he saw him disappear into a wooded area, deputies said. There were no damages to the property.

In the house at the time was the homeowner's wife, also in

and brain damage. The father-daughter pair began singing a duet, and, Ms. Fadiman says, "She could sing like an angel."

The song they sang was called, "When just one person believes in you," from "Snoopy! The Musical," and she decided then and there she wanted to create a film about the Annie Gill story.

The film, she says, is a "heart-melt."

Another thread she sees linking her films is more abstract: a celebration of what she calls "spirit." She doesn't define "spirit" as deity as much as "an intelligence we can't comprehend... and is there for us as we walk our path."

She says her filmmaking style has evolved with new lessons she's learned. "What I've learned is to step back, and let other people tell their stories." She narrates her stories less. "I let the interviews tell the story more and more." She also avoids telling her viewers what to think or do, preferring to "trust that the viewer will come away thinking, 'I could do something about that,'" she says.

As for what's next, she says she doesn't plan to retire, but aims to transition to something different. "I want to be challenged. I want to contribute," she says.

Perhaps she'll go on a public speaking tour, or travel. She's still seeking guidance. What she does know is that she and her husband will celebrate their 77th birthdays this year, and the past year has sadly brought for her a number of poignant deaths.

"I'm keenly aware that I'm mortal," she says. "The question is: What do you do with that?" ■

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# Clarice Merrill of Atherton dies at 69

By Barbara Wood  
Almanac Staff Writer

Frank Merrill says you can understand a lot about the kind of person his wife Clarice was by what she did after she knew she might soon die. She died on Sunday, Jan. 17, of a pulmonary embolism, a complication following surgery. She was 69.

Mr. Merrill says that after his wife received the terminal diagnosis, she spent four hours in her home office in Atherton, writing checks, organizing all her papers, and making sure everything was taken care of. "Her desk was completely clean," he says.

"She was resolute, she was brilliant, warm and forgiving," he says of his wife of 35 years. Her children say she was the "glue that bonded the family together."

She was also generous with her home and her love. In addition to four children of her own, she welcomed foster children into their home, Mr. Merrill says. She had "adopted" the East Palo Alto Razorbacks rugby team, Mr. Merrill says, and 15 of them were at the house the night she died.

"She would give a lot of grief to her husband Frank for all of his rugby activities, but at the end of the day she loved rugby, was a rugby woman, mother, and supporter to all who played," family members say.

Clarice Merrill had served on Atherton's Park and Recreation Committee and was a member of the Holbrook-Palmer Park Foundation.

Mr. Merrill says his wife had a straightforward, direct manner, some of which developed from her relationship with her mother-in-law, Gen Merrill. "She battled my mother tooth and nail" at first, but soon "they became good friends," he says.

"She was equal to the challenge."

After Gen Merrill died, Clarice Merrill continued her mother-in-law's tradition of hosting regular bridge and poker parties for 40 friends once a month much of the year. Frank Merrill says that 24 of the original group still carry on the tradition.



Clarice Merrill

Clarice Merrill also loved sleepovers with her girlfriends, quilting, frequent banter with her husband, and time away at her home in Quincy.

She attended quilting camps and shows with her girlfriends and was active in Soroptomists in Quincy, and Eastern Star and Rainbow in Redwood City, where she was the Mother Advisor.

She also loved animals and at one time had seven dogs. She always had a dog, beginning with her German Shepherd, Ponza, and ending with her Chihuahua, Little Man.

Clarice Merrill was born Aug. 31, 1946, in Los Angeles, the only child of June and Stanley Moeck. She lived with her family in Paradise in Butte County until her junior year of high school. She graduated from Coast Joint Union High in Cambria.

She had two children, Rich and Tami, from her first marriage. After her divorce, Clarice and Frank met while both were students at Cal Poly. The family lived in the Philippines, where Frank Merrill received his veterinary degree and they adopted their daughter Amy, before moving back to the United States, where son Mike was born.

She worked for SRI International, writing business applications, but soon followed her

dream to move back to the Sierra Nevada, to Quincy, where Frank Merrill had a veterinary practice.

She returned to the Bay Area with son Mike while Frank stayed in Quincy for a year while Amy finished her senior year of high school. Family members say Clarice Merrill felt it was important that their daughter not have to change high schools as she had to do.

She received a degree in business administration from Menlo College in 2002 as part of the college's professional student program. She worked for a startup brain cancer research company, Direct Therapeutics.

She is survived by her husband, Frank of Atherton, daughter Amy Merrill Bloomfield, her husband, Willeo Bloomfield, and their son Frankie, of Atherton; daughter Tami McMillan, her husband Bret, and their children Brandon and Madi, from Mountain View; and son Mike Merrill of Hawaii. She was preceded in death by her son, Rich May, an East Palo Alto police officer who was killed in the line of duty on Jan. 7, 2006.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, Jan. 30, at the Performing Arts Center at Menlo-Atherton High School, starting at 2 p.m., with a reception following at the Merrill home, Glenwood Ranch.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Rich May Foundation, 64 Moulton Drive, Atherton, CA 94027, or at richmayfoundation.org. ■

## Robert (Bob) Newton Arrington

Robert (Bob) Newton Arrington died on January 18, 2016. He was 82. He lived a life loving God, his family, and serving others. He died on a day celebrating Martin Luther King Jr., a man committed to service. In the words of Martin Luther King Jr., "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." Mr. Arrington never was silent, and always spoke for the causes and people he believed in.



Bob was born on May 22, 1933 to Carl and Beulah Arrington in Houston, Texas. He attended Lamar High School where he met his future wife, Doris Banowsky Arrington, who he married in 1953. He graduated from the University of Houston. He and Doris moved to the San Francisco Bay Area in 1968.

Bob worked 28 years for Southern Pacific Transportation as the General Manager for their Land Company. He then operated a private consulting firm working in the San Francisco Bay Area mentoring small business development.

For the past 20 years he served as both a board member and president for a number of non-profit charitable organizations on the San Francisco peninsula. In addition, he received political appointments to positions on various commissions at the city and county level, including serving on the 2001-2002 and 2013-2014 San Mateo Grand Jury.

Bob found adventure and joy over the last ten years providing leadership in both local and international missions at Menlo Church. He worked closely with international partners in the Ukraine, Belgium, Spain, Mexico, Poland, China and Ethiopia and locally with partners in Redwood City, East Palo Alto, San Francisco and San Jose.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Doris Arrington. He is survived by his three sons, Robert (Melany), Thomas (Tamara), and Christian (Susan); seven grandchildren (Rett, Ryan, Courtney, Amanda, Connor, Wesley and Haley) and one great-grand child (Logan). He was preceded in death by his brother (Donald) and his grandson (Chris).

The memorial service will be held on Friday, January 29, at 2 pm at Menlo Church (950 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025).

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# Former Sunset magazine offices to undergo renovations

By **Kate Bradshaw**  
Almanac Staff Writer

Interior renovations are planned for Sunset Publishing Corp.'s previous headquarters at 80 and 85 Willow Road in preparation to house new tenants of the office space.

According to Carol Donnelly, spokesperson for Embarcadero Capital Partners, the current owners of the property, applications for permits have been submitted to the city of Menlo Park and renovations

are expected to be completed at 85 Willow Road in April and at 80 Willow Road sometime in May.

The property, which was acquired by Embarcadero Capital Partners in December 2014, now shares partial ownership interest with Deutsche Asset Management, a move announced Jan. 13.

Deutsche Asset Management and Embarcadero Capital Partners have partnered before as office space developers of the Clearview business park in San Mateo, where GoPro's offices are located.

**'Renovations will focus on 'preserving the unique character ... that makes this property so attractive,' says Todd Henderson of Deutsche Asset Management.**

The two former Sunset buildings, together called "Willow Park," contain 85,732 square feet of office space in a large park-like setting, according to Catherine Wooters, spokesperson for Deutsche Asset Management. The building at 80 Willow Road was designed by Cliff May, described as the "father of the California ranch-style home."

"We strongly believe that (Willow Park) will benefit from a cosmetic and mechanical upgrade focused on preserving

the unique character and the amenities that make this property so attractive," said Todd Henderson, Deutsche Asset Management's real estate head.

Ms. Donnelly said the footprints of the buildings will not change, and that the renovations are intended to "marry some of the historic elements with modern bits." The gardens are still being maintained.

They're actively marketing the building to new tenants, she said. ■

## Kay Moreing Roper

September 12, 1927 – March 25, 2015

Kay Moreing Roper, 87, passed away on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at her home in Menlo Park, surrounded by family and friends. She was the loving wife of the late Calvin B. Roper, her beloved husband of 59 years, and a devoted, loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, who cherished her family and friends.

Kay was born on September 12, 1927 in Stockton, California to William and Edna Moreing.

Her father helped build the first roads in Yosemite and was part of an early California baseball family. He died when she was 10 years old and her mother finished raising Kay and her two older brothers. After graduating from Stockton High School and studying fashion in San Francisco, Kay moved to New York City where she worked as a model and met her future husband before returning to Stockton to work as a buyer at Katten & Marengo clothing store.

In 1948, Kay Moreing married Calvin Barclay Roper of Long Island, New York. Their three children were born in Greenwich, Connecticut, close to their home in rural South Salem, Westchester County, New York, where Cal built his first veterinary hospital. They enjoyed a busy and happy community life, occasionally taking trips into the city to take in a Broadway show. In 1961 after Cal's mother passed away, Cal and Kay moved their family to California to be closer to Kay's family and built the original Mid-Peninsula Animal Hospital in Menlo Park.

Kay especially enjoyed planning family activities and vacations, celebrating holidays and birthdays, and encouraging and helping her family members and friends in all of their endeavors. She volunteered weekly at Allied Arts to help raise funds for the Lucile Packard Children's Hospital, supported veteran's organizations, and was active in the local Republican women's group, where she was recognized and honored for her hard work, organizational skills, and ability to bring together people of different viewpoints. She treasured old friendships and making new friends wherever she went. She loved flowers and gardening, dancing with Cal, was an avid reader, and continued to enjoy reading the Wall Street Journal and biographies into her 80's. She was always deeply grateful for her life, family, friends, home, and blessings.

Kay will always be lovingly remembered and dearly missed. She is survived by her son, Calvin Roper Jr. (Leslie) of Atherton, daughters Kristine Baird (Gregory) of Santa Rosa and Linda Roper of Menlo Park, her six grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren. Her family will be forever grateful for her love, encouragement, friendship, wisdom, generosity, graciousness, expressive eyes and radiant smile. "She will be in our heart forever."

Donations in her memory may be sent to: The Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health – 400 Hamilton Ave. Suite 340 – Palo Alto, CA 94301 or made online at supportlpch.org or to: Canine Companions for Independence – Veterans Initiative – P. O. Box 446 – Santa Rosa, CA 95402 or online at cci.org.



## Ruth Pauline Cootsona, owned Top Spin Tennis

Ruth Pauline Cootsona, who owned Top Spin Tennis in Menlo Park with her late husband Thomas Cootsona, died Dec. 29 in Chico. She was 90.

Ms. Cootsona wrote for various publications, including the Menlo Park



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Recorder, and volunteered in local charities.

Born in Puyallup, Washington, to German-born parents, she graduated from the College of Puget Sound and married Thomas Cootsona in 1949. Their first home was in Seattle,

the second in Portland. In 1961 they moved to Menlo Park.

In 1981 they purchased Top Spin Tennis, which they ran until 2004. They later worked at their son Marcus' Pro Tennis shop until retiring in 2008. Shortly after, they moved to Chico.

She is survived by her two sons, Marcus (Melinda) of Menlo Park and Greg (Laura) of Chico; and three grandchildren. Her husband of 65 years, Thomas Cootsona, died in 2015. Memorials may be made to the Thomas N. Cootsona Memorial Fund through the North Valley Community Foundation.

### Service Saturday for Andy Cohen

A memorial service for former Menlo Park councilman Andy Cohen will be held from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30, in the Sequoia Room at the Arrillaga Recreation Center at 700 Alma St. in the Menlo Park Civic Center.

Donations in his name may be sent to the Sierra Club, and condolences may be sent to c/o Rachel Montana, 43 Marquard Ave., San Rafael, CA 94901. For more information, contact Rachel Montana at (650) 393-3020.

## Nancy Ruth Wentworth

July 21, 1923 – January 9, 2016

Nancy Ruth Pye was born July 21, 1923 in Northfield, Minnesota. She grew up with her loving family and friends, graduating from Northfield High School. Nan attended Grinnell College in Iowa receiving her degree in World History and a minor in Political Science.

Nan's first job was in the Spokane Girl Scout office where she worked till she was married to her beloved Irv Wentworth, after a five year engagement, on September 10, 1946.

Nan and Irv Wentworth started their new life in Coeur d' Alene, Idaho where they were blessed with four children. Career advancements moved the family to Albany, Oregon, and Petersburg, Virginia ending up in Menlo Park, California – gathering life long friends along the way.

Not only was Nan an amazing homemaker but she donated her time to woman's organizations, fifty years in Girl Scouting, taught sewing and knitting to the local woman's prison, housed heart/lung transplant patient's families, and organized a yearly picnic that reunited doctors, patients and their families. Nan was a deacon for her church, Valley Presbyterian, where the couple attended for over forty years. She taught crafts and basket weaving, was an amazing artist, loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, friend and an exemplary citizen. Nan will be greatly missed.

The memorial service will be on February 21, 2016 at 10:45 AM. Reception to follow service at Lane Hall, Valley Presbyterian Church, 945 Portola Rd., Portola Valley, CA 94028.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to the Peninsula Girl Scouts. <http://www.girlscoutsnorcal.org>



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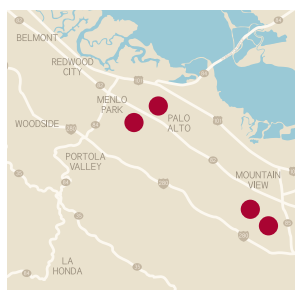


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# County hears from residents on Alpine Road troubles

By Dave Boyce  
Almanac Staff Writer

It's well known that traffic congestion and safe passage for cyclists and pedestrians are major issues on Alpine Road between approximately Junipero Serra Boulevard and the border of Ladera and Portola Valley.

At the invitation of the San Mateo County Public Works Department, about 60 area residents, most from Stanford Weekend Acres and Ladera, gathered at Ladera's Woodland School on Jan. 21 to talk about these issues and what might be done to alleviate them.

Accompanying the public works representatives were a facilitator and employees of the North Carolina-based engineering consulting firm Kimley Horn.

This was the first of three meetings, said Kimley Horn traffic engineer and spokesman Adam Dankberg as he introduced a 20-minute slide-show presentation describing the situation in this 2-mile stretch of Alpine Road. The county's contract with Kimley Horn is not to exceed \$186,271.

By way of feedback, residents were asked to briefly describe their concerns on Post-it Notes

pastored over the appropriate locations on large maps of the corridor. The consultants said they'll be using that information to come up with "improvement options" and be back for another meeting in May to present them.

A third meeting is scheduled for the summer/fall when Kimley Horn will present final concepts and a report.

"There's only so much widening ... we can fit in this corridor," Mr. Dankberg said, "and so what we'll hear from the community regarding the issue of congestion, the issue of access, the issue of bicycle circulation will help dictate how we divvy up that very precious right of way that we have."

There were 62 collisions in this corridor from 2010 to 2014, with more than half occurring at the I-280 interchange. The collisions included three serious injuries and one fatality, Mr. Dankberg said. Ten collisions involved bicycles. "Ten of the 62 is a pretty substantial number," he said.

Almost 25 percent were rear-enders, an indication of traffic back-ups, he said. More than half the collisions (52 percent) were

broad-sides, generally indicating that they occurred at intersections — there are 12 — along this stretch of road.

On any working day, about 25,000 vehicles travel (in both directions) on Alpine east of Interstate 280, while about 18,600 travel Alpine west of the freeway, Mr.

Dankberg said. During the afternoon commute, about 36 cyclists per hour use this corridor, he said.

## Regional factors

When their turn came during the Q-and-A, residents asked whether the analysis would include I-280 commuters using Alpine when they would normally exit at Page Mill or Sand Hill roads. Mr. Dankberg mentioned a study already underway of the Page Mill Road interchange.

A resident asked Mr. Dankberg if he planned to contact Stanford University. "A lot of the problems that are occurring on Alpine Road are actually a function of issues with Stanford and its over-development and the Page Mill Road and Sand Hill Road disasters," the resident said.

## There were 62 collisions in this corridor from 2010 to 2014.

"The focus is improvements here," Mr. Dankberg said. "We've looked at projections of future traffic generated by Stanford and other uses and so that'll be part of our analysis."

## Residents react

"I think it's a step in the right direction," said Gunter Steffen of Stanford Weekend Acres. "I'm very interested to see what changes they'll be proposing."

"It was interesting to see it quantified," said Ron Miller, also of Weekend Acres. "Where it goes, who knows? They're not (talking) to Stanford, and Stanford is the problem."

Ladera resident and former Portola Valley town planner George Mader said he hopes for improvements at the intersections in Ladera. "You come out there and you look right and look left and

you take your chances," he said. "It's a scary thing."

"We really have a systemic problem," said Ginger Holt of Weekend Acres. "I believe they have great intentions, but 'Donde esta Stanford?'"

Asked if she was optimistic, Ms. Holt was succinct. "When you're not even looking at the right problem, how can you be optimistic?" she said. A focus on this corridor without broadening it to include Stanford, she said, is like treating someone with high blood pressure by focusing on the area between the person's elbow and wrist.

No one from Stanford responded from the audience when facilitator Eileen Goodwin of Apex Strategies asked if the university was represented. Ms. Goodwin said she'd heard that the university had been notified of the meeting at least twice. ■

## Meeting for Project Read tutors

People looking to volunteer and promote literacy can attend an informational meeting for Project Read from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30, in the downstairs program room at the Menlo Park

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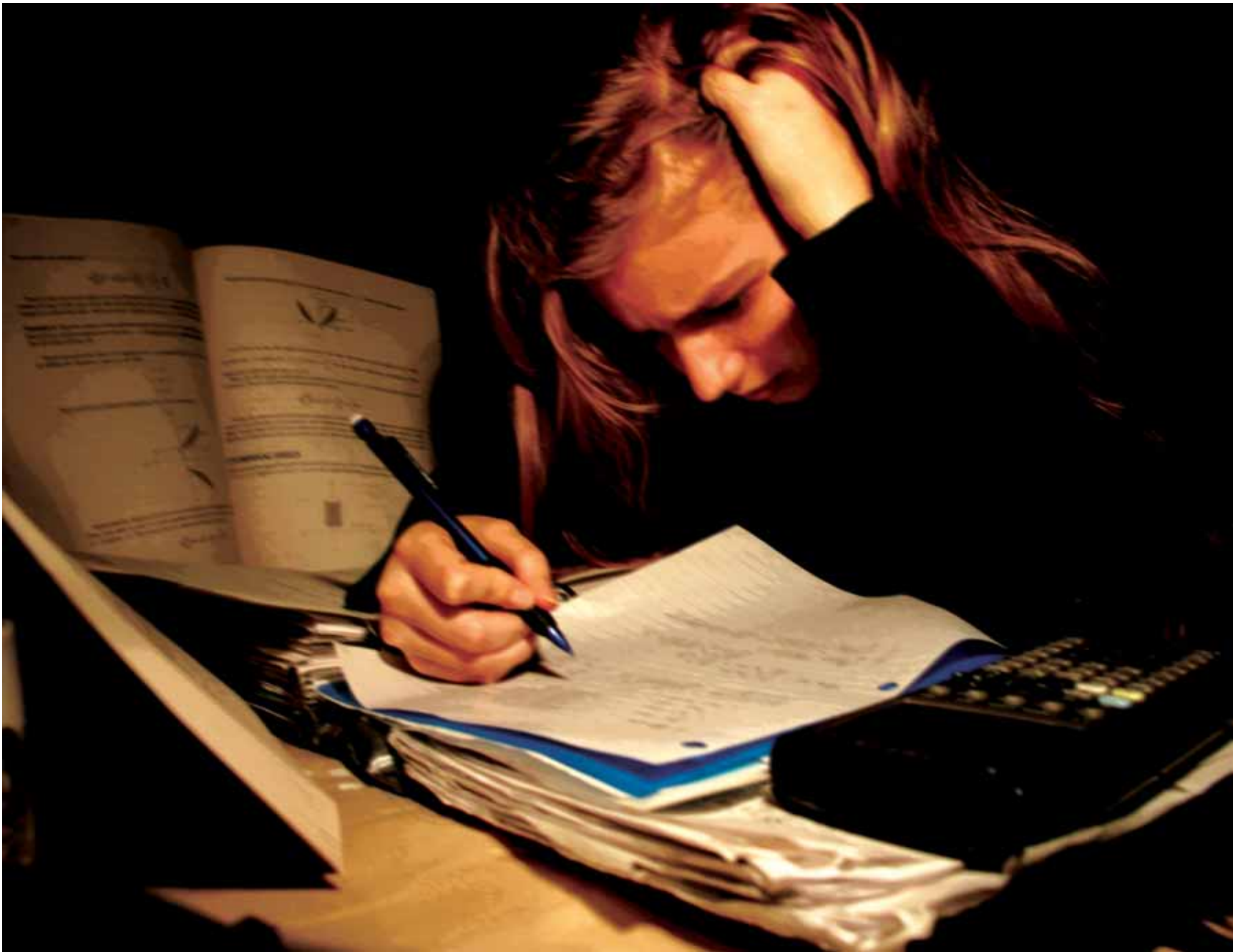
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# HELP FOR STRESSED-OUT STUDENTS

Experts share ways to recognize and reduce stress in children

By Barbara Wood

**B**y the time they graduate from high school, as many as 25 percent of students will have experienced some form of depression, a Stanford medical doctor who specializes in adolescent mental health told those attending a Common Ground Speaker Series event at Sacred Heart Prep in Atherton on Jan. 14.

The doctor, Shashank Joshi, spoke as part of a panel discussion titled “Positive Responses to Our Children’s Distress Signals,” focusing on how to recognize symptoms of unhealthy stress in children, how to reduce the causes of stress, and when to seek help.

Denise Pope, a Stanford University senior lecturer and co-founder of Challenge Success, a nonprofit working to help students succeed, moderated the panel. Dr. Joshi was joined on the panel by fellow Stanford physician Neville Golden. Both specialize in training doctors to work with adolescents, Dr. Joshi in mental health and Dr. Golden in

physical health.

Ms. Pope told the audience that the enduring problems of adolescence — including acne, anxiety, bullying and struggles in school — are now only a small part of what teens experience. “It can be quite a bit for the typical teen to handle,” especially because teens’ brains have not matured and will not until they are in their 20s, she said.

Today’s students have busy schedules, she said. Surveys of thousands of students have found middle-schoolers average two and a half hours of homework a day and high-schoolers, three hours, Ms. Pope said. High school students also average two daily hours of after-school activities.

“What they’re not doing is sleeping,” she said. Students report averaging fewer than seven hours of sleep a night, she said. “They need nine.”

The problems of overscheduled students are not unique to Silicon Valley,

she said. More families with two working parents has led to more after-school extra-curricular and enrichment activities, she said. Many students also now play on, and practice with, both school sports teams and club sports teams.

More students also attend college. “That has caused fear because there’s this idea that there are fewer spots at the good colleges,” she said, something that is just not true.

“There is a college spot for every single college-bound senior,” she said, noting that while 200 colleges are considered highly, highly selective, most parents know about only 10 of them. “Go find the other 190,” she urged.

In addition, she said, study after study have found that the college one attends has little correlation with success in life.

Social media adds to stress because it gives a skewed view of the world, she said.

Pressure to make schools more accountable with routine testing ended

up adding to pressure on kids, Ms. Pope said, and created a lot of “misconceptions about what you need to do to succeed.”

While modern life is stressful, not all stress is bad, Dr. Golden said. “You can have a good stress,” such as mild performance anxiety, he said. “It actually protects us against harm,” he said. “It gives you that fight or flight mechanism.” During good stress, stress hormones such as adrenaline, norepinephrine and cortisol increase rapidly and then return quickly to normal, he said.

With chronic stress “or bad stress,” the body sustains the levels of cortisol, which can cause sleep disturbances, diet disruption, mental illnesses and physical illnesses such as diabetes and heart disease, he said.

Dr. Joshi said parents sometimes don’t know if their child is stressed to the point that they should worry. “How much is too much? It’s hard to know,” he said. In addition, not every child, even siblings,

handles stress in the same way. Parents need to figure out what stresses their children. “Learn not to show that you’re worried, because that can set them off,” he said.

Clues that stress may be impairing a child include a loss of interest in things they enjoy. “They start withdrawing, especially from friends,” he said. “They may not be texting their friends. Then you’ve really got a problem.” Another clue is when children “are no longer themselves,” or when a bad or sad mood is prolonged, he said.

Dr. Golden said adolescents probably don’t know that what is bothering them is stress. “I’ve never seen an adolescent who comes in and says, ‘Doctor, I’m stressed,’” he said. Instead they complain of headaches, nausea, or being unable to get up to go to school, he said.

Doctors, he said, must rule out medical causes for such symptoms.

Another clue, Dr. Golden said, is when relationships in more than one of the three main spheres of a student’s life — parents, friends and school — change. It is not unusual to have a disruption in one sphere, but if more than one has changed, “I would seek further advice,” he said.

What should parents do? They should not worry, the panelists said, that talking about mental health issues will bring on even more problems, such as thoughts of suicide. “You’re not putting the thought in the teenagers’ heads,” Dr. Joshi said.

Studies have found that 16 to 18 percent of American teenagers have considered suicide, he said. “That number’s been very stable” for years, he said. About 6 to 8 percent of teens have actually attempted suicide, he said, with about 2 percent ending up in emergency rooms.

“It has to be part of the national conversation,” he said, including in schools because that is where children spend most of their time.

Dr. Golden said that parents who are worried their children are over-stressed, should first reach out and see “if your child is willing to speak to you.”

“If you get shut out, which is most likely,” he said, go to your medical provider.

Pediatricians, he said, are trained to spend some time alone with adolescents when doing any sort of medical checkup. “We ask about personal stuff,” he said, and the pediatricians won’t share it with parents unless kids say they are thinking about hurting themselves or others.

Many pediatricians working with adolescents go through a checklist with the acronym of HEADDSS, which stands for Home, Education/Employment, Activities, Drugs, Depression, Sexuality and Suicide, Dr. Golden said. Teens are asked if they feel safe at home, about their school, job, other ways they spend their time, and about their alcohol, drug and sexual habits.

He said doctors also ask: “Have you ever felt so bad that you wanted to hurt yourself in any way, or thought the world might be a better place without you?”

Surprisingly, kids do tell their doctors the truth, he said, perhaps because they know parents won’t find out. “Adolescents are surprisingly honest, they really are,” Dr. Golden said.

Dr. Joshi said that a study of students about to enter ninth grade found that girls with concerns said they were more

likely to talk to teachers, counselors or parents. Boys, he said, were more comfortable with a doctor because they tend to “medicalize” their symptoms.

The panelists also had ideas on ways to prevent stress.

Sleep is very important, Dr. Golden said, with between eight and a half to nine hours needed each night. Instead of staying up studying, “it’s better to just forget about it and get some sleep,” he said. “Grades have been shown to improve with more sleep.”

Dr. Golden said the sleep cycle of adolescents, researchers have found, is different from that of both adults or younger children. They need to stay up later and sleep later, he said. Teens who start school later are more likely to eat breakfast, get more sleep, and get better grades, he said.

Ms. Pope said that the panelists, all parents themselves, understand that many of those things aren’t easy to achieve. Starting when children are young makes it easier, she said. “Parents of younger kids, you can really get into the habit early on because you do have control,” she said, adding that younger children need 10 hours a night of sleep. “You get in the habit that sleep is absolutely critical.”

For older students, “you can have an appropriate consequence when they don’t get the sleep they need,” she said. Ms. Pope said she takes her teens’ car keys if they don’t get at least seven hours of sleep. “There are more accidents now for teenage drowsy drivers than teenage drunk drivers,” Ms. Pope said.

A tool that can be used to make a student’s life a little more sane is to put everything the teen does, including homework, sleep and meals, into a schedule. “Nobody signs off on a more-than-24-hour day,” she said.

At [tinyurl.com/Alm-116](http://tinyurl.com/Alm-116), a scheduling tool can be found on the Challenge Success website.

Ms. Pope suggest another acronym, PDF, which stands for play time, down time and family time. “They need that to protect them from the adversity we’ve been talking about,” she said.

Play time is not organized sports. “The key there is free and unstructured,” she said. For older kids, play time is often social media, she said. “Play time has to happen every day. ... Down time has to happen every day, too.” When students get home from school, instead of being quizzed about what they learned that day, “they need to chill,” she said. “They’re learning and thinking about their identity. They need time to do that.”

Family time, when the whole family is together, should happen at least five times a week for 20 or 25 minutes. “It doesn’t have to be a meal, but dinner is pretty convenient,” she said, and it should be technology-free.

Dr. Golden, who works with kids with eating disorders, agreed. “Family meals reduce the risks” of eating disorders, he said. “You get them used to this idea of sharing their feelings and their moods.”

Another resource is Stanford University’s Resilience Project, which urges students and others to share their failures. “Making mistakes is absolutely a part of life,” Ms. Pope said. “I think that it’s kind of important to embrace the mistakes.”

The Common Ground speaker series is in its 14th year. The all-volunteer organization has 29 member schools representing 10,000 families. Events are free to parents, faculty and staff from member schools as well as faculty from non-member schools. This school year, the organization will have 11 events with the theme of wellness on 11 school campuses. ■



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## Resources for parents, students, educators

- [ChallengeSuccess.org](http://ChallengeSuccess.org) has information for parents and educators, including a blog, links to classes and resources. “We provide families and schools with the practical, research-based tools they need to create a more balanced and academically fulfilling life for kids,” the website says.
- At [tinyurl.com/Alm-2016-2](http://tinyurl.com/Alm-2016-2), the Challenge Success site lists a set of “Do You Know” eye-opening statistics about children and teens, from preschoolers to college students. Click on links on the page to download PDFs with more facts on modern children’s lives.
- Go to [tinyurl.com/Alm-2016-1](http://tinyurl.com/Alm-2016-1) to reach the Stanford University Student Resilience program website, which emphasizes the importance of failure in the learning process.
- [SourcesofStrength.org](http://SourcesofStrength.org) is a program started in North Dakota in 1998 that works to prevent suicide, violence, bullying and substance abuse by training students as peer leaders who work with trusted adults.
- [BringChangeToMind.org](http://BringChangeToMind.org) works “to end the stigma and discrimination surrounding mental illness” its website says. Actress Glenn Close was a co-founder.
- Denise Pope’s latest book, “Overloaded and Underprepared: Strategies for Stronger Schools and Healthy, Successful Kids,” written with Sarah Miles and Maureen Brown, can be found at a San Mateo County library, [Keplers.com](http://Keplers.com) and [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com).
- At [tinyurl.com/Alm-2016-3](http://tinyurl.com/Alm-2016-3), view the documentary “Unmasked” by Palo Alto High School student filmmakers Andrew Baer and Josh Yuen. “This film is an honest effort to bring the topic of suicide out of darkness so that we can open new paths of conversation and work together to find solutions,” the directors say.

**Participants** in the panel discussion on student stress were, from the top, Denise Pope, a Stanford University senior lecturer and co-founder of Challenge Success; Neville Golden, a Stanford physician who trains pediatricians; and Shashank Joshi, a Stanford physician who specializes in adolescent mental health and also trains pediatricians.

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## City names managers of finance, human resources

After five months of transitions, Menlo Park's administrative services department is now fully staffed, the city of Menlo Park announced Jan. 22.

Rosendo Rodriguez is the city's new finance and budget manager as of Jan. 13. With 19 years of experience in public and private sector finance work, he comes from the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District, where he worked as finance director, and then as interim district manager for several months.

"Mr. Rodriguez is widely acknowledged for cleaning up the District's finances following discovery that his predecessor embezzled District funds," the city said in its announcement.

Lenka Diaz is the new human resources manager, starting Jan. 26. She has 18 years of public sector experience, including as a senior analyst in Redwood City's human resources division, and previously with the city of Newark in various administrative posts.

Gene Garces was promoted to information technology manager on Dec. 28 and will manage

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Rosendo Rodriguez



Lenka Diaz

the city's efforts to "undertake significant improvements to its technology," the city said.

### Library volunteers

The Friends of the Menlo Park Library is searching for volunteers who can commit three to four hours a week to support the organization's onsite bookstore and online sales.

According to volunteer Henry Lesser, volunteers turn about 200,000 donated books a year into dollars that support library programs and events.

Hours are flexible. Volunteers will work at the Menlo Park Library at 800 Alma St. in Menlo Park.

Email [info@friendsmpl.org](mailto:info@friendsmpl.org) or call (650) 330-2521 for more information.

## Concerts celebrate jazz composer

Local jazz and classical musicians will join jazz pianist and composer Valerie Capers for concerts Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 30 and 31, at 3 p.m. at Eastside College Preparatory School in East Palo Alto.

The concerts, which benefit the school, are presented by the African American Composer Initiative — co-founded by Menlo Park pianist Josephine Gandolfi; singer, pianist and former judge LaDorris Cordell; and singer and pianist Deanne Tucker. Both concerts will feature the same program, which is billed as "a special musical celebration" of Ms. Capers.

A Juilliard-schooled musician who has received a long list of honors, Ms. Capers has been blind since age 6, receiving her early education at the New York Institute for the Education of the Blind. She has performed at jazz festivals throughout the world, often with bassist John Robinson, who will join her for the local concerts.

The program includes Ms. Capers' arrangements of jazz standards by Duke Ellington and Abbey Lincoln, and her arrangement of music by Richard Wagner, featuring San Francisco Opera Orchestra flutist Stephanie McNab.



Valerie Capers is the guest artist, along with bassist John Robinson, in concerts devoted primarily to her music.

Her song cycle, "Seasons of Love" for voice, cello and piano, will also be performed, featuring soprano Yolanda Rhodes. The piece was commissioned by the Smithsonian Institution.

Also on the program are excerpts from her collection, "Por-

traits in Jazz" — musical tributes to jazz legends Billie Holiday, Miles Davis, Duke Ellington and Jelly Roll Morton.

The program also features "Ruby," a "docu-drama" composition by Ms. Capers telling of the experiences of Ruby Bridges, who in 1960, at the age of 6, became the first child to integrate New Orleans public schools and "changed the course of history in this country," according to Ms. Gandolfi. Lauren Sibley takes the stage in the role of Ruby.

Bassist John Robinson's tarantella with jazz overtones, written expressly for these concerts, will be performed by the Picasso Ensemble: Ms. Gandolfi on the piano, violinist Susan C. Brown, and cellist Victoria Ehrlich.

Ms. Capers' arrangement of a "freedom song" with roots in the spiritual tradition, "Hold On: Keep Your Eyes on the Prize," will be performed by the Eastside Choir, directed by David Chaidez and joined by the entire company of musicians.

In addition to the African American Composer Initiative founders and others listed above, those musicians include clarinetist Carol Somersille, percussionist Jim Kassis, trumpeter John Worley, trombonist John Monroe, and bassoonist Rufus Olivier III.

Many of the musicians have performed regularly in these benefit concerts, which since 2009 have been devoted to music by African American composers.

Concert tickets are \$20 general, and \$5 for seniors and students.

Go to [tinyurl.com/jazz-130](http://tinyurl.com/jazz-130) to buy tickets online through Brown Paper Tickets.

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## Notice of Approved Ordinance Town of Atherton

At the January 20, 2016, City Council meeting Council adopted the following ordinance:

### Ordinance 618

#### AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ATHERTON AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PROGRAM

The City Council of the Town of Atherton has investigated options to provide electric services to customers within the County, including incorporated and unincorporated areas, with the intent of achieving greater local control and involvement over the provision of electric services, competitive electric rates, the development of clean, local, renewable energy projects, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, and the wider implementation of energy conservation and efficiency projects and programs.

The ordinance was approved unanimously.

For a complete copy of Ordinance 618 please contact Theresa DellaSanta at [tdellasanta@ci.atherton.ca.us](mailto:tdellasanta@ci.atherton.ca.us) or 650-752-0529.

### ■ POLICE CALLS

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#### MENLO PARK

**Residential burglary:** Someone stole a nail gun and two drills from a residential construction site on Politzer Drive. Estimated loss: \$2,200. Jan. 15.

**Commercial burglary:** Someone stole seven laptop computers from a normally locked cart of computers at Belle Haven School on Ivy Drive. No evidence of forced entry at the cart. No estimate on losses. Jan. 22.

#### Auto burglaries:

■ Three laptop computers, two tablet computers and a Wi-Fi hotspot device were stolen from a vehicle parked in the 600 block of Oak Grove Avenue. The burglar smashed a window to get in. Estimated loss: \$6,550. Jan. 20.

■ A burglar broke into a vehicle parked in the 1800 block of El Camino Real and stole two backpacks, a briefcase, a table computer, a cellphone, headphones and a calculator. Estimated loss: \$4,775. Jan. 22.

■ Someone smashed a window on a vehicle parked in the 600 block of Santa Cruz Avenue and stole two laptop computers and a tablet computer. Estimated loss: \$2,800. Jan. 20.

■ A burglar smashed a window on a vehicle parked in the 1400 block of Willow Road and stole a backpack containing a cellphone and a tablet computer, keyboard and computer case. Estimated loss: \$1,850. Jan. 19.

■ A laptop computer and accessories were stolen from a vehicle found with a smashed rear window and parked at Crane Street and Ryans Lane. Estimated loss: \$1,650. Jan. 20.

■ Someone smashed a window of a vehicle parked on the 600 block of Oak Grove Avenue and stole a laptop computer, bag and passport. Estimated loss: \$1,270. Jan. 20.

■ A burglar smashed a window of a vehicle parked on Crane Street and stole a laptop computer and a sweatshirt. Estimated loss: \$1,250. Jan. 21.

■ A digital music player and two coats were stolen from a vehicle parked on Roble Avenue. No signs of forced entry. Estimated loss: \$400. Jan. 19.

■ Someone smashed a window on a vehicle parked in the 800 block of El Camino Real and stole a briefcase containing a computer and a checkbook. No estimate on losses. Jan. 22.

■ Nothing was missing from a vehicle found with a smashed window at Oak Grove Avenue and Maloney Lane. Jan. 20.

#### Thefts:

■ A mountain bike, running shoes and tennis rackets were stolen from an

unlocked vehicle parked in the 2200 block of Sharon Drive. Estimated loss: \$1,200. Jan. 17.

■ Someone stole an unlocked bike from a carport on Waverley Street. Estimated loss: \$600. Jan. 14.

■ A thief got away with a GPS device from an unlocked vehicle parked on San Antonio Street. Estimated loss: \$600. Jan. 19.

■ A tablet computer and a cellphone charger were stolen from an unlocked vehicle parked on Sherwood Way. Estimated loss: \$450. Jan. 19.

■ A woman left the Safeway supermarket on Sharon Park Drive with a basketful of baby formula she hadn't paid for. Estimated loss: \$435. Jan. 16.

■ Someone stole two bicycles from a carport on Arbor Road. Estimated loss: \$400. Jan. 14.

■ A briefcase containing pieces of tile was stolen from an unlocked vehicle parked on Valparaiso Avenue. Estimated loss: \$200. Jan. 17.

■ A thief got away with loose change and lottery tickets from an unlocked vehicle parked on Oak Court. Estimated loss: \$40. Jan. 14.

■ A man entered the Mi Terra Linda market on Willow Road and left with cold beer he did not pay for. Estimated loss: \$12. Jan. 17.

**Stolen vehicle:** A red 2015 Chevrolet Camaro parked in a carport on Pierce Road. Jan. 18.



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## BNY Mellon to buy MP firm

Menlo Park-based Atherton Lane Advisers LLC, an investment management firm, has entered into an agreement to be acquired by BNY Mellon and become part of BNY Mellon Wealth Management.

Terms of the deal were not disclosed and the sale is expected to close by April, BNY Mellon said in its Jan. 20 announcement.

Founded in 2005, Atherton Lane Advisers has about \$2.7 billion in assets under management

“serves about 700 high net worth clients,” BNY Mellon said.

Atherton Lane Advisers co-founders Perry Olson, Janet Littlefield and Gary Patterson will join BNY Mellon Wealth Management, with Mr. Olson assuming a senior leadership role, the company said.



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### 145 Non-Profits Needs

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File No.: 267594  
The following Person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
eVigils, located at 640 Menlo Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.  
Is (Are) hereby registered by the following owner(s):  
MITEM CORPORATION  
640 Menlo Ave.  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
This business is conducted by: A Corporation.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on December 24, 2015.  
(ALM Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2016)

BLOOMING BEAUTY  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 267586  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
Blooming Beauty, located at 993 Laurel Street, San Carlos, CA 94070, San Mateo County; Mailing address: 1400 Laurel St. Apt. #3, San Carlos, CA 94070.  
Registered owner(s):  
DAYSI ARITA  
1400 Laurel St. Apt. #3  
San Carlos, CA 94070  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on December 23, 2015.  
(ALM Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2016)

NCI ELECTRIC  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 267625  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
NCI Electric, located at 2731 Hunter St., East Palo Alto, CA 94303, San Mateo County.  
Registered owner(s):  
NORBERTO AGUILAR  
2731 Hunter St.  
East Palo Alto, CA 94303  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on December 29, 2015.  
(ALM Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2016)

BRILLANTE JANITORIAL SERVICES  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 267673  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
Brillante Janitorial Services, located at 2552 Hazelwood Way, E. Palo Alto, CA 94303, San Mateo County.  
Registered owner(s):  
JORGE ROMERO ALVARADO  
2552 Hazelwood Way  
E. Palo Alto, CA 94303  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on January 4, 2016.  
(ALM Jan. 13, 20, 27, Feb. 3, 2016)

BOYKO CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 267674  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
Boyko Construction and Management, located at 391 Oak Ct., Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County; Mailing address: P.O. Box 389, Menlo Park, CA 94026.  
Registered owner(s):  
MARK STEVEN BOYKO  
391 Oak Ct.  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on Jan. 4, 2016.  
(ALM Jan. 13, 20, 27, Feb. 3, 2016)

CAVE COLLAR POPPING  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 267756  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
Cave Collar Popping, located at 1664 Tulane Ave., E. Palo Alto, CA 94303, San Mateo County.  
Registered owner(s):  
ALICIA R. SLEDGE  
1664 Tulane Ave.  
E. Palo Alto, CA 94303  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on January 11, 2016.  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 2016)

SUPPLY CHAIN ADVISORY GROUP  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: M-267747  
The following Person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
Supply Chain Advisory Group, located at 1402 Chelsea Way, Redwood City, CA 94061, San Mateo County.  
Is (Are) hereby registered by the following owner(s):  
MUNISH GUPTA  
1402 Chelsea Way  
Redwood City, CA 94061-5624  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 01/10/2016.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on January 11, 2016.  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 2016)

CRANE STREET SALON  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 267755  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
Crane Street Salon, located at 1110 Crane Street, Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.  
Registered owner(s):  
DOROTHY STELLA JANNINK  
2041 Sharon Rd.  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on January 11, 2016.  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 2016)

LADERA GARDEN AND GIFTS  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 267762  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
Ladera Garden and Gifts, located at 3130 Alpine Road, Suite 380, Portola Valley, CA 94028, San Mateo County.  
Registered owner(s):  
POIREE ENTERISES INC.  
3130 Alpine Road, Suite 380  
Portola Valley, CA 94028  
California  
This business is conducted by: A Corporation.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on January 11, 2016.  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 2016)

LADERA GARDEN AND GIFTS AT CARLMONT  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 267763  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
Ladera Garden and Gifts at Carlmont, located at 2029 Ralston Ave., Belmont, CA 94002, San Mateo County.  
Registered owner(s):  
POIREE ENTERPRISES INC.  
3130 Alpine Road, Suite 380  
Portola Valley, CA 94028  
California  
This business is conducted by: A Corporation.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on January 11, 2016.  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 2016)

FERRO PACIFIC ERECTORS  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: M-267809  
The following Person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
Ferro Pacific Erectors, located at 1927 Pulgas Ave., East Palo Alto, California 94303, San Mateo County.  
Is (Are) hereby registered by the following owner(s):  
JESUS ENRIQUE PEREZ GOMEZ

1927 Pulgas Ave.  
East Palo Alto, CA 94303-2507  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on January 15, 2016.  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 2016)

NERD BEAUTIFUL  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 267759  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
Nerd Beautiful, located at 228 Marmona Dr., Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County, USA.  
Registered owner(s):  
LYNSEY HEMSTREET  
228 Marmona Dr.  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on January 11, 2016.  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 2016)

### 997 All Other Legals

T.S. No. 025409-CA  
APN: 057-114-060-7  
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE  
IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:  
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 9/21/2012. 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 3/15/2016 at 1:00 PM, CLEAR RECON CORP., as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 9/28/2012, as Instrument No. 2012-141586, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of San Mateo County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: MICHAEL BIRKELAND, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON 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: MARSHALL ST. ENTRANCE, SAN MATEO COUNTY COURTHOUSE, SOUTHERN BRANCH HALL OF JUSTICE & RECORDS, 400 COUNTY CENTER, REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063 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: MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 41 WEST SUMMIT DRIVE EMERALD HILLS, CA 94062 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 held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured 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: \$772,641.25 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. 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. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also

be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800) 280-2832 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.AUCTION.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 025409-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (800) 280-2832 Publish: 1/20/2016, 1/27/2016, 2/3/2016 ALM

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:  
HAZEL LIVERMORE  
Case No.: 126497  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of HAZEL LIVERMORE. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: JACK JAY LIVERMORE in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN MATEO.  
The Petition for Probate requests that: JACK JAY LIVERMORE 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 February 9, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept.: 28 of the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, 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 decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58 (b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner:  
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(408)364-1234  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 2016)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO  
Case No.: CIV536691  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
Petitioner: SIMRAN KASHYAP filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: SIMRAN KASHYAP TO SIMRAN CHAWLA. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: Fri. February 19, 2016, 9:00 a.m., Dept.: PJ, Room: 2D of the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, located at 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: December 28, 2015  
/s/ John L. Grandsaert  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 2016)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO  
Case No.: CIV536692  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
Petitioner: SONIA CHAWLA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: ISHAN KRISHAN KASHYAP TO ISHAN KRISHAN CHAWLA. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: Fri. February 19, 2016, 9:00 a.m., Dept.: PJ, Room: 2D of the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, located at 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: December 22, 2015  
/s/ John L. Grandsaert  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
(ALM Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 2016)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-15-658663-JP Order No.: 11-0115443  
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/2/2005. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The 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 the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the

initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): FREDERICK L PIERCE JR, AN UNMARRIED MAN Recorded: 11/14/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-198082 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of SAN MATEO County, California; Date of Sale: 2/17/2016 at 12:30PM Place of Sale: At the Marshall Street entrance to the Hall of Justice and Records located at 400 County Center Redwood City, California 94063 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$356,008.56 The purported property address is: 1232 SEVIER AVENUE, MENLO PARK, CA 94025-1510 Assessor's Parcel No.: 062-101-090 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 888-988-6736 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-15-658663-JP . Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. QUALITY MAY BE CONSIDERED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: Quality Loan Service Corporation 411 Ivy Street San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 888-988-6736 Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: CA-15-658663-JP IDSPub #0100204 1/27/2016 2/3/2016 2/10/2016 ALM

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