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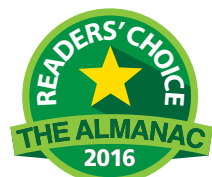
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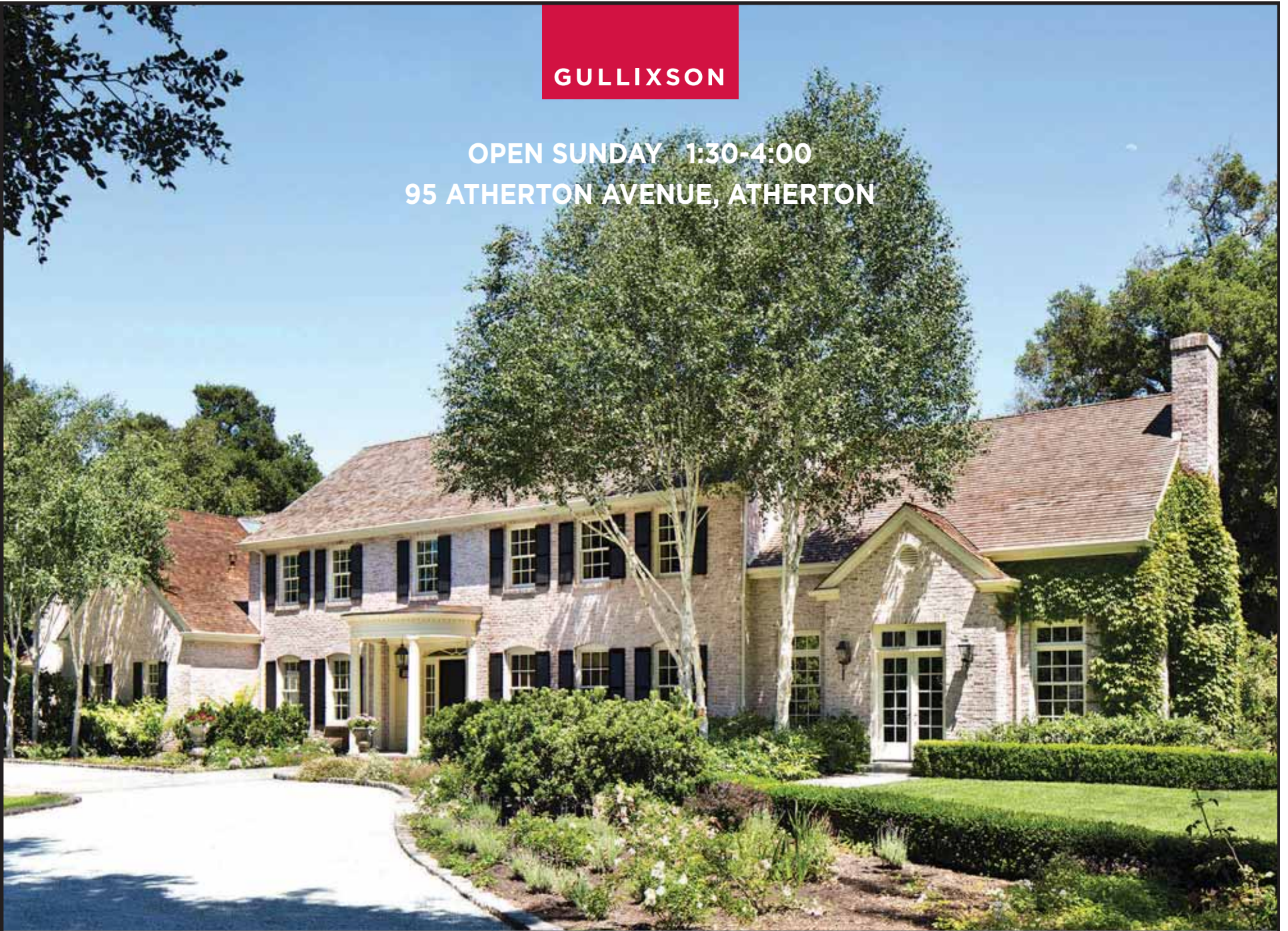


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New Surf Air flight path will avoid Midpeninsula

By Barbara Wood
Almanac Staff Writer

Surf Air representatives say they have identified an alternative flight path that would put their planes, and the noise of their turboprop engines, over the Bay during much of their approach to the San Carlos Airport whenever they have clear visibility.

If all goes well, they say, the new approach could be in regular operation by the end of May.

On April 26, Jim Sullivan, Surf Air's senior vice president of operations, showed the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors a map with a route that would take Surf Air planes from Moffett Field over the Bay, past the Dumbarton Bridge and then back to the San Carlos Airport over a cement plant.

Mr. Sullivan's presentation was part of an update for the supervisors by the county's public works director, Jim Porter, on what the county is calling the "San Carlos Airport Aircraft Disturbance Study." The supervisors approved the study in March.

Surf Air began using the San Carlos Airport in June 2013, and complaints about noise from the turboprop planes the airline uses began flooding in soon after.

Mr. Sullivan said the airline has been working with the Federal Aviation Administration's Northern California air traffic control branch, known as Nor-

cal TRACON. They are trying to find a way to move the commuter airline's planes away from the neighborhoods where residents say the noise has been making their lives miserable.

"I really do believe this is the meaningful relief that we've all been looking for," Mr. Sullivan said to the supervisors before catching a Surf Air plane from the San Carlos Airport back to work at Surf Air's Santa Monica headquarters.

He said he personally piloted the Bay approach last week and believes it will work. He plans to have Surf Air's "check pilots" — the pilots who train other pilots — fly the approach 25 times, starting

immediately, when they fly into San Carlos. "By having multiple pilots look at it multiple times" any problems can be found and

the route modified, he said.

Surf Air will then train all its pilots to use the approach, and Norcal TRACON will inform the control towers in all the local airports, including San Jose, Moffett Field, Palo Alto, San Francisco and San Carlos, about the new approach, Mr. Sullivan said.

The route won't provide complete relief to those who live under the current flight path because, Mr. Sullivan said, it can only be used under "visual flight rules" (VFR) conditions. That means that if pilots can't see the airport from the point at which

If all goes well, the new approach could be in operation by the end of May.



Surf Air says it will use a new approach route (green line) from near Moffett Field to the San Carlos Airport when conditions allow a visual flight rules (VFR) approach. The route that would continue to be used when visibility is poor is the straight line in orange. The shaded area is currently used by Surf Air pilots in VFR conditions.

they start the approach, which is near Sunnyvale, the current GPS approach will continue to be used, he said. Rainy or foggy days can limit that visibility.

At the request of the Almanac, San Carlos Airport Assistant Airport Manager Chris St. Peter examined weather records for the last year at the airport. He said that

in 2015, aircraft would have been able to arrive at the airport using only a visual approach slightly more than 86 percent of the time.

Mr. Porter, the county public works director, told the supervisors that the county has hired three consultants: an aviation consultant, an aviation noise consultant and a polling firm. "We're

looking at policies and procedures," he said, including surveying what other general aviation airports do.

"We're also potentially looking at landing fees," he said, including software to help with that process. He said the county is examining

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Woodside council approves limits on basement size, location

By Dave Boyce
Almanac Staff Writer

Woodside's municipal code has long specified limits on how much floor area a residence can have above ground, but below ground, there have been no limits on either the size or location of basements. The absence of regulations on basements, according to town staff, was compensation for limits on the mass of above-ground structures. This compact is now evolving.

The Town Council on April 26 voted in favor of an ordinance that limits the size of basements based on a formula to calculate

the total volume of removed soil in cubic yards. The formula multiplies the square-foot floor area of the main residence by 12, and then divides that number by 27 to convert cubic feet to cubic yards.

Included under the ordinance: no more than 50 percent of a basement can be located outside the footprint of the main house above it; if the basement is 25 percent or less than the maximum allowed, a site development permit will not be required; and parts of a basement not under a structure will require a blanket of at least at least two and a half feet of soil.

The council's vote was 6-0 with Councilman Chris Shaw voting

by phone and Councilman Dave Tanner absent. Before the ordinance becomes law, the council must vote on it again in another meeting. If a majority favors it, the ordinance will become law 30 days later.

An ordinance has been in the works for about a year, with much of the work done by a three-member council subcommittee consulting with Town Hall staff. Drafts were reviewed by the Architectural and Site Review Board and the Planning Commission and the council held six public hearings, five of them made necessary by significant changes.

The issue arose in the spring

of 2015 when Planning Director Jackie Young brought to the council's attention a significant uptick in the number of basement applications as compared to previous years. The proposed basements were becoming increasingly sophisticated, including stand-alone basements, elaborate sunken patios, tunnels connecting underground rooms, and accessory living quarters, she said.

The ordinance allows full basements, including, according to one critic, full basements that also extend beyond the footprint of the house. The ordinance also allows sophisticated basements, accommodating, for example, a

squash court with a 20-foot ceiling, but it would involve a trade off of breadth in exchange for that depth.

Pros and cons

Ahead of the April 26 meeting, the council received 14 emails in support of the latest draft of the ordinance and four opposed.

Resident and architect Steve Lubin, an ordinance critic, told the council before its April 26 deliberations that his chief concern expressed at the previous meeting — the overall quantity of excavated soil the ordinance allows — had not been addressed

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Surf Air plans new approach to San Carlos Airport

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incentives for those who follow the airport's voluntary noise abatement rules.

He said a public meeting will be scheduled in the near future to give residents a chance to talk about how they are affected by the airport operations, and local residents will be surveyed. A set of recommendations are scheduled to come back to the supervisors in June.

"We are working diligently to make that schedule," Mr. Porter said.

Atherton City Council member Mike Lempres asked the county to get residents more involved in the process.

"The residents of Atherton and North Fair Oaks have not yet been consulted in this process," he said. And despite Mr. Sullivan's assertion that Surf Air had begun flying most of its planes over U.S. 101 on April 12, Mr. Lempres said residents "have not noticed any change."

Other speakers said that since Surf Air is working to solve the problem on its own, the county should halt the study. "We ask that you postpone further action or expenditure" until the planned changes are put in place, said Carol Ford of the airport's pilots' association.

But supervisors said they want the study to continue as scheduled. "We need to hear from the public," said Supervisor Adrienne Tissier. "Are they not hearing the noise anymore?" she said. Are the changes "really working for them?" "This isn't to punish the pilots or

the people at the airport," she said.

Supervisor Dave Pine agreed. "It's important we keep this study going," he said. He, too, emphasized that the study is not aimed at the majority of the airport's users. "The impetus of this has been commercial aircraft, primarily Surf Air," he said.

After the meeting Mr. Lempres praised the county and others who have become involved in working to resolve noise issues, especially congressional representatives Anna Eshoo and Jackie Speier.

However, he said, "it's hard for me to judge whether anything is being done or not. They continue to have a process that does not involve the residents. Hopefully we're going to be part of the process going forward."

North Fair Oaks resident and attorney Adam Ullman, who has been researching the issue for years, said he is happy "to finally see the county supervisors taking proactive steps to fulfill their legal obligations to mitigate the continuous and pervasive noise nuisance from aircraft over our community."

"Airplanes louder than 757s, 777s and 787s should never have been allowed to be as low as a thousand feet over our homes and schools," he said.

Mr. Sullivan said he believes the new Bay approach "really captures all the concerns of the community and leaders of the community, and the airport."

"We are excited that the group has finally come together and rolled up their sleeves and said, how do we fix this?" he said. ■

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by the council.

He said the formula should use a multiplying factor of 8 — rather than 12 — to reflect the standard depth of basements. And the maximum depth allowed — 20 feet — is too deep and should be 14, he said.

The town could accommodate a multiplier of 12 and a depth of 20 feet, but they should be exceptions and not the rule, he said.

Also speaking in favor of a more restrictive ordinance was former councilman Ron Romines.

Resident Greg Raleigh chided the council for backing away from a previous provision that would have allowed 65 percent of a basement to be located outside the footprint of the main house. Instead, the council went with the 50 percent figure recommended by the council subcom-

mittee that drafted the ordinance and preferred by the Planning Commission.

"I think we have worked very hard on this," Councilwoman Anne Kasten said. "It's easy to have passions run really high in this room." She asked that residents talk more with council members.

At the request of Councilman Daniel Yost, who had expressed a preference for 65 percent in a February straw poll, Ms. Young examined town records and found that five residents over the past 15 years had built basements with 65 percent of the structure located outside the house footprint.

All five basements were located on properties of at least three acres, Ms. Young said.

Mr. Yost told the council that a friend of his had asked him if such extended basements were a thing. "It sort of seems like it's not a thing," he said. ■

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House fire likely caused by spontaneous combustion

The house that was under construction is now uninhabitable, firefighters said.

By Dave Boyce
Almanac Staff Writer

An April 27 fire that significantly damaged a two-story house under construction in Portola Valley's Westridge neighborhood was likely caused by spontaneous combustion associated with materials used to stain exterior cedar siding, firefighters said.

The house at 10 La Sandra Way, now uninhabitable, was about a month away from being ready for occupancy, Battalion Chief Rob Lindner of the Woodside Fire Protection District said. The house was unoccupied at the time of the fire and there were no injuries, he said.

When firefighters arrived, about seven minutes after the 5:15 a.m. 911 call from a neighbor, they found one side of the house burning, Mr. Lindner said. The flames damaged about a third of the house, but there is smoke damage throughout, he said.

The fire started on the outside, climbed up the cedar siding from the bottom of the house and eventually made its way inside, Fire Marshal Denise Enea said.

The fire had been burning for at least two hours before firefighters got there, she said. It burned through 12-inch-thick timbers as well as a wall and a floor, both designed to resist fire for an hour — referred to as “one-hour” walls and floors.

“That’s kind of common when a fire gets going in the morning when no one is up and about,” Ms. Enea said. “The saving grace was that the sprinklers were working.”

Cedar siding on a house should not begin at the bottom of an exterior wall but three or four feet up, where it’s much safer in terms of being ignited from the ground, Ms. Enea said.

“The fire did a lot of damage because it climbed up the side of the house,” she said. “I tell homeowners, architects and contractors all the time that any kind of cedar siding, especially with the staining, is very combustible material.”

The house’s stucco siding was undamaged, she added.

“People don’t think a fire is ever going to happen to them,” Ms. Enea said. They



Photo by Rob Lindner, Woodside Fire Protection District

After seven years of work and about a month before it was ready to be occupied, a house in Portola Valley’s Westridge neighborhood was significantly damaged by a fire on April 27.

take precautions against flu and traffic accidents and flat tires, but “when it comes to fire, because people don’t see it so often, it’s not something intimate,” she said. “They never have to deal with it, so they don’t think it’s going to happen.”

Using cedar siding “constitutes nailing kindling to your house,” she said.

Fighting the fire

The house’s first floor sits atop an above-ground garage. The fire burned through the first floor in places such that the underside of the second floor was visible from inside the garage, Mr. Lindner said. The second floor was not damaged, he said.

Crews from the Woodside and Menlo Park fire protection districts, and the Califor-

nia Department of Forestry and Fire Protection were on the scene. The one-alarm fire brought to the fire a total of five fire engines, one ladder truck, two battalion chiefs (to manage the operation) and an ambulance, Mr. Lindner said.

“The crews did a good job,” he said. “(They) were aggressive to get it knocked down quickly keep it as that first alarm (level).”

Firefighters fought the fire from inside and out, and employed fans on a ladder truck to clear the scene of smoke, he said. They had it knocked down in about 30 minutes and extinguished about 15 minutes after that, he said.

The fire never threatened to ignite vegetation, but had there been wind, as was the case a couple of days earlier, “it would have been a whole different scene,” Mr. Lindner said. ■

REAL ESTATE Q&A

by Monica Corman



The Current Pace of the Market

Dear Monica: I am happy to see that finally there is more inventory available but as quickly as a property comes on the market, it sells. I feel more pressured to make a decision quickly than I did before. Are you seeing the same thing? Clare D.

Dear Clare: Springtime is typically the best time of year for the real estate market and this year is no different. The market had a somewhat late start this year because of rain, and school and religious holidays that spread over several weeks. But it is now making up for lost time. Buyers who waited

to see if more homes would come on the market, are satisfied that the market has finally arrived and are not waiting very long to make decisions. Thus the quicker pace you describe is real.

Many buyers too, want to move and be settled in time to enjoy the summer, and transition to new neighborhoods and/or schools. They also know that there will be fewer new properties coming on the market in the summer so they are satisfied to buy now and not wait longer.

You shouldn’t feel pressured to make a decision that doesn’t feel right to you though. But you should be aware of the pace of this market in order to compete.

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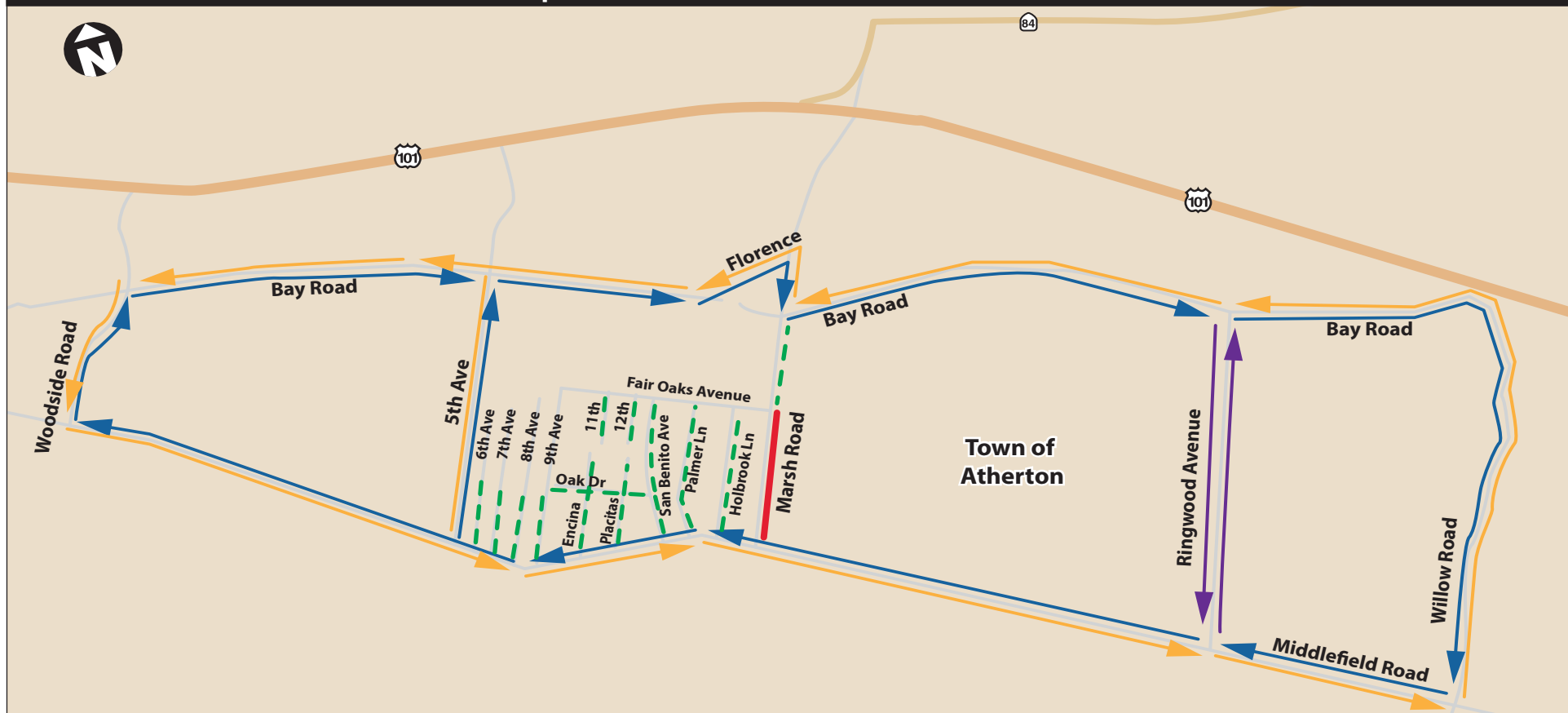
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Town of Atherton, Marsh Road Channel Repair



Map courtesy town of Atherton

This map from the town of Atherton shows the detours planned when Marsh Road is closed this summer to build a drainage culvert along the road. The blue and orange lines are the major detour routes; the purple lines show an additional detour route that will be used when school is not in session; and the green streets will be closed to all but local traffic. The red section is the construction area.

Meetings set on Marsh Road detours, construction

By **Barbara Wood**
Almanac Staff Writer

A series of public meetings have been scheduled to provide information about the traffic detours and construction schedule that will be put in place starting May 31 when Atherton closes its section of Marsh Road for most of the summer to replace the adjacent drainage culvert.

The next meeting is set for Wednesday, May 4, starting at 7 p.m., in Holbrook-Palmer Park's Jennings Pavilion at 150 Watkins Ave. in Atherton.

Town officials estimate the road will be closed through Aug. 11, for a total of 10 weeks, with additional weeks of one-way traffic.

City Engineer Mary Grace Houlihan said access for businesses

and residents on Marsh Road will be maintained at all times.

Signs will direct motorists to avoid Marsh Road by using Bay Road or Middlefield Road to get to Willow Road in Menlo Park, Woodside Road in Redwood City or 5th Avenue in Redwood City. After June 21, with school out, signs will direct motorists to use Ringwood Avenue in Atherton and Menlo Park.

A number of streets will be closed to through traffic to stop motorists from cutting through, including Holbrook Lane, Palmer Lane, Oak Drive and San Benito, Placitas and Encina avenues in Atherton, plus sections of 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, and 11th avenues in North Fair Oaks.

During the construction, Marsh Road will be closed between Bay

The plan is to close Marsh Road in both directions for 10 weeks this summer.

Road and Middlefield Road in Atherton. However, one lane in each direction will be open from Bay Road to Fair Oaks Avenue in North Fair Oaks to serve businesses and residents. One lane of Marsh Road between Middlefield and Fair Oaks Avenue will remain available for emergency vehicles and residents with driveways in that stretch.

Traffic will not be permitted to turn from Middlefield onto Marsh at any time during the closure.

In January, Atherton received the permits it needed to make long-awaited repairs on a section of the Atherton Channel, a drainage culvert that runs along Marsh Road between Middlefield Road and the border with Redwood City, near Bay Road.

The culvert also serves as a retaining wall for Marsh Road. A new U-shaped reinforced concrete culvert will be poured in place, and designed so it could later be covered over. It will have a steel guard rail to deter cars from plunging in. The town has allocated \$4.2 million to pay for the project.

The channel is now separated from Marsh Road only by a chain link fence, which has been broken through by errant motorists at least four times since March 2015.

Because the work on the culvert

is in a waterway, the state allows work only between April 15 and Oct. 15, leaving the town scrambling to be able to complete the job quickly. The town is also trying to schedule around school vacations.

The town has been meeting with neighboring jurisdictions and public safety officials to coordinate the closure.

Two more community meetings will be held to discuss the detours:

- Saturday, May 7, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Fair Oaks Community Center, 2600 Middlefield Road in North Fair Oaks.

- Wednesday, May 11, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Sports House, 3151 Edison Way in Redwood City.

At tinyurl.com/TOA-Marsh, the town website has a page about the project with updated information. ▣

Always wanted a street with your name on it? Here's your chance

By **Barbara Wood**
Almanac Staff Writer

Looking for a special gift for the person who has everything? Or do you want to ensure your name is not soon forgotten?

Atherton may soon offer just the thing — naming rights to a new street, for a \$10 million donation.

When Atherton's City Council meets for a study session on Wednesday, council members will discuss what donations the group raising money to build the

ATHERTON

new civic center should request in trade for various "naming opportunities."

The meeting starts at 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 4, in the town's council chambers at 94 Ashfield Road.

The most expensive item on the list put together by fundraisers Atherton Now is the right to name the new road that will run past the civic center entrance, connecting Ashfield Road and Fair Oaks

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a children's play area, a fenced library deck or the redwood grove.

Smaller donors will have the opportunity to put their names into the project on benches, bricks, memorial garden areas and various signs in the new complex, the report says.

Town budget

Also on the agenda for the study session is an information session on the town's general fund budget.

Council members will discuss possible modifications to the town's business license tax, which

is currently between \$50 and \$250 a year — depending on the type of business — or 5 percent of gross receipts, whichever is lower.

If the town does want to change its business license tax, the matter will have to be placed on the ballot during an election of City Council members, which next happens in November. Changes in the tax would require a majority approval.

While Atherton does not have commercial zoning, its current business license tax applies to everyone from Realtors to alarm companies doing business in the town. ▣

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November

11.5 Rodeo Days
 11.12 Bacon, Blues & Brews
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Facebook employees devote day to service projects

By Kate Bradshaw
Almanac Staff Writer

Facebook's Menlo Park headquarters were spattered with posters and banners proclaiming #GlobalCausesDay on April 28.

In its third year, Facebook's Global Causes Day is an opportunity for Facebook employees to "flex our altruistic muscle as a community," said Tudor Havriliuc, a Facebook vice president.

Over the course of the day, about 4,000 Facebook employees at its 30 offices around the world worked on volunteer projects with about 500 nonprofits, said Ime Archibong, Facebook director of strategic partnerships.

In Menlo Park, from 1,500 to 2,000 employees helped assemble roughly 3,000 snack packs for kids from low-income families; 700 backpacks for students in the Ravenswood City School District in East Palo Alto and Belle Haven; and 800 care kits for refugees in Greece. Some nonprofits also received social media training at Facebook that day.

In Menlo Park, Facebook worked with about 15 local nonprofits, said Susan Gonzales, director of community

engagement at Facebook. They have ongoing partnerships, she said. At the April 28 event, volunteers helped paint, landscape and assemble furniture at the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Peninsula in Menlo Park and at Street Code and Live in Peace in East Palo Alto.

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About a year ago, said Ms. Gonzales, Facebook launched a program called Clubs for Causes, which enables employees who have interests in a particular cause to create a club and receive support to work on that cause. Now, there are about 30 clubs, a Facebook spokesperson said.

Mr. Havriliuc said that as a Facebook human resources executive he wants to "make sure that people who work here find some amount of meaning and empathy



Charles Ommanney

Sheryl Sandberg, Facebook's chief operating officer, packs lunches for the Second Harvest Food Bank during Facebook's Global Causes Day, held on Thursday, April 28, at its Menlo Park headquarters. Menlo Park Mayor Rich Cline is on the left.

in their day-to-day jobs." Personally, Mr. Havriliuc said, one cause he cares deeply about is LGBTQ rights. He said he grew

up gay in Romania, where being gay could result in incarceration.

At a booth on the garden rooftop at Facebook, employees

packaged snack packs that will be distributed by Second Har-

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Woodside gets ready for May Day Parade

By Kate Daly
Special to the Almanac

On Saturday, May 7, tradition takes over the town of Woodside for the 94th year in a row with the May Day Parade and Carnival and other morning activities that will close down a portion of Woodside Road for stretches of time.

No cars will be allowed on the road when the Woodside Recreation Committee-sponsored Fun Run & Walk starts at the Woodside Library at 8:30 a.m.

Go to tinyurl.com/run057 to pre-registration for the 2.25-mile family friendly race. You can also register at the Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, an hour before the race.

Meanwhile, next door at the Woodside Village Church, the Woodside-Portola Valley Rotary Club will be serving a pancake breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m.

The action will then shift across the street to Woodside School where dozens of May Day Parade

participants will be lining up to get ready to proceed down Woodside Road to Roberts Market and back.

The parade will begin at 10 led by Grand Marshals Tina Adolph, Taffy Appelbaum, Cathy Stienstra and Amanda Bedolla Fuerte, all members of Woodside School's front office staff. They will be followed by the Kindergarten Royal Court: Prince Alex, Princess Trixia, King Sione, Queen Riley, Princess Meadow, Prince Cassidy, Princess Caitlin, and Prince Conor.

This year the theme is "Once Upon an Enchanted Forest." The pageantry usually lasts an hour or so and involves a colorful assortment of students and parents, local dignitaries, musical acts, floats, and antique vehicles.

Afterward the crowd heads to the school's outdoor amphitheater to watch third-graders perform the maypole dance.

Next the winner of the Woodside Citizen of the Year Award will be announced. The award honors a local resident who is nominated



Photo by Nicole MacNaughton

Woodside's 94th annual May Day Parade on May 7 will be led by grand marshals, from left, Tina Adolph, Taffy Appelbaum, Cathy Stienstra and Amanda Bedolla Fuerte, all members of Woodside School's front office staff, and the kindergarten royal court, from left, Alex, Trixia, Sione, Riley, Meadow, Cassidy, Caitlin and Conor.

for his or her dedication to the students' education and wellbeing.

The busy day ends with a carn-

ival of games and barbecue staged on the school grounds from noon to 2:30 p.m. The carnival is being

put on by event planner Sophie's Stress Free Soirees. Alice's Restaurant is providing the barbecue. ■

Twin Menlo Park psychologists charged with defrauding county

A pair of Menlo Park psychologists are accused of bilking San Mateo County out of thousands of dollars by charging for therapy sessions that never happened, prosecutors said.

Lorie Palmer and Marlie Palmer, 39-year-old twin sisters who both work as bilingual psychologists, were on a referral list with

the county to provide therapy to victims of violent crime.

But over two years working with the county, the Palmers submitted bills for payment for sessions they allegedly weren't actually conducting. Marie Palmer overbilled the county for \$27,136, and Lorie Palmer overcharged \$27,648, according to prosecutors.

They both appeared in court April 27 and pleaded not guilty to charges of misappropriation of public money and grand theft. They were ordered to return to court on July 27 and each remains free on \$100,000 bail, prosecutors said.

Marlie Palmer offers therapy for depression, stress, anxiety and

copied with trauma and abuse, among other things, according to her website.

"My work includes helping people whose lives are being taken over by worry, those who are self-critical, procrastinators, people struggling with compulsive behavior, and those who face recurring difficulties in relation-

ships," she wrote.

They were ordered by the court to report the case against them to the state licensing board within a week, according to prosecutors.

Both sisters live in San Francisco and attended University of San Francisco, according to their websites.

— Bay City News Service

Check online for results of school parcel tax election

The results of the May 3 special election on two parcel tax measures in the Menlo Park City School District were released after the Almanac's deadline.

Go to AlmanacNews.com for results and updates on the election.

'Ty Cobb' returns to Menlo area

Norm Coleman of Half Moon Bay will present the one-man show "Baseball Great Ty Cobb Lives Again" at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, at Little House, 800 Middle Ave. in Menlo Park.

Ty Cobb, known as the "Georgia Peach," set many Major League batting records during his career from 1905 to 1928 and is ranked among the greatest players of all time. In the 1930s and 1940s, Mr. Cobb and his wife, Charlie, lived in Atherton. Following their

■ BRIEFS

divorce in 1947, she moved to Menlo Park, where she lived for a number of years.

The performance will be held in the Little House courtyard, where the guests can eat hot dogs, popcorn and Cracker Jack. A donation of \$5 is suggested.

Pianist earns top mark

Ronin Park, 11, of Menlo Park has won a state certificate of excellence for scoring the top mark in California on the Preparatory B Piano examination of the Royal Conservatory Music Development Program. Ronin is a pupil of Muza Mdzinarishvili.

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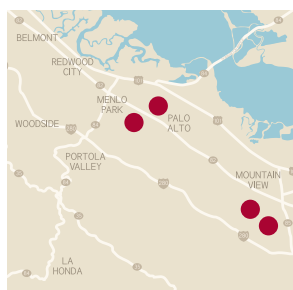


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Facebook service day

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vest Food Bank to supplement weekend meals for kids from low-income families, said Alisa Tantraphol, associate director of strategic partnerships at Second Harvest Food Bank. The snack packs are the result of a fundraising initiative called “Stand up for Kids” that is co-chaired by Sheryl Sandberg, Facebook’s chief operating officer and a Menlo Park resident.

Childhood hunger can lead to kids’ behavior difficulties, anxiety or mood swings, and can make it harder for kids to learn. “Those challenges affect all of us and have the potential to rob our future workforce of great minds,” Ms. Sandberg said. “There are so many things about the world we can’t change — this is something we can.”

The day opened with a talk by hip-hop artist and actor Common, who told of the organization he founded, Common Ground Foundation, which promotes education, creative arts and job readiness for underserved youth in Chicago, said a Facebook spokesperson.

The day concluded with a talk by Iranian-born British American actress Nazanin Boniadi, who has appeared in TV shows “Homeland,” “How I Met Your Mother” and “Scandal” and is the female lead in the upcoming film “Ben-Hur,” scheduled for release in August. She talked about her work with Amnesty International in its efforts to release political prisoners and prisoners of conscience in Iran. She is on the board of directors of the International Campaign for Human Rights in Iran. ■

Cora Jean Wiegand

July 29, 1934 – February 24, 2016

Cora Wiegand of Menlo Park and the world passed away peacefully in her home on Wednesday afternoon, February 24th, 2016 surrounded by family and friends.

Cora was born on July 29, 1934, in Glen Ullin, North Dakota, but lived most of her life in the warm sun of California, making her home on the Peninsula for nearly 50 years.

She is the extraordinary mother of four daughters: Johanna Harrison, Jean Wiegand, Susan Wiegand, and Jennifer Edwards. She will forever be the adored grandmother of her nine grandchildren. She is also survived by her four siblings, Gary, Rochelle, Valerie, and Robert, by too many friends and extended family to count, and by her beloved, Ron Silzer, of Menlo Park.

Cora was a dazzling member of her community, and a jewel at any event. She was known for her style and beauty, for her kindness and generosity, for her always positive energy and sense of fun, for her dancing feet, her interested conversation, and her steadfast dependability.

In recent decades she had been very active with The Peninsula Volunteers, and especially Little House, where every Tuesday for 14 years she greeted and checked in guests as they arrived for events, brightening everyone’s day in the process.

Cora loved to travel, whether to a destination or to visit her daughters or friends. She loved movies and music and art and dancing and live theater, and was fearless in her willingness to attend even the most controversial work.

She was tireless in her pursuit of adventure, and miraculously was never arrested nor came to any harm. Did we mention she was charming? She was, but more important was her strength. Cora was a devoted friend, always where she needed to be, always the first and often the last to bring compassion and presence to others.

Until struck by cancer late in life, she was inexhaustible, always ready to take charge of grandchildren, or to get dressed up and find a small floor and a hot trio. But rock and roll is fine, too. Let’s dance!

A memorial service was held on February 28, 2016, at the Valley Presbyterian Church in Portola Valley.

Memorial donations may be made to the Peninsula Volunteers or Little House in Menlo Park, where Cora was a volunteer for the past 14 years. <http://www.penvol.org/donate/>.



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Town reviews Windmill School plans

By Dave Boyce

Almanac Staff Writer

Plans for a new facility for Windmill School at 900 Portola Road, formerly the site of Al’s Nursery, go before the Portola Valley Planning Commission on Wednesday, May 4, for the first of what may be several reviews.

The school, which has been renting space since the late 1960s at the Alpine Hills Tennis & Swimming Club at 4139 Alpine Road, purchased the former nursery site with plans to build a preschool of 9,226 square feet of floor area, including three classrooms, offices, bathrooms, a kitchen, family lounge and storage. The parking lot would have spaces for 41 vehicles.

The meeting starts at 7 p.m. at

the Historic Schoolhouse at 765 Portola Road. Windmill School is third item on the agenda.

During the week, the school proposes to operate between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., with a maximum of 72 students present at any given time and a staff of 10 to 12. Weekday evenings “will include” meetings of the board of directors and staff, and events such as back-to-school nights, preschool-parent education classes, kindergarten readiness talks, and parent fundraising events, according to a staff report.

Go to tinyurl.com/PV3051 and turn to Page 104 for the report.

On weekends, school activities “will include” parent-and-me day, fix-it days, school picnics, harvest-the-garden day, parent education events, children’s

cultural events and family visits in the lounge. The family hall and lounge may be available for use by other community groups such as Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, the report says.

To accommodate the school, parts of the lot must be rezoned from “medium-intensity residential” to “community commercial” — the zoning the entire lot would have had if the nursery owner had not been living on the property, the report says.

The project requires an environmental impact study to consider biological life, protection and preservation of trees, traffic impacts, geo-technical issues, historic values, if any, and noise. On noise issues, an ornamental garden functioning as a sound protection wall is in the plans, as is a garden to add distance from play areas, the report says. ■

Almanac receives awards in statewide contest

The Almanac received two second-place awards — for coverage of local government and best writing — in the 2015 Better Newspaper Contest, sponsored by the California Newspaper Publishers Association.

Awards were announced Saturday, April 30, at the association’s

conference at the Westin St. Francis hotel in San Francisco. The Almanac competed in the category of weekly newspapers with circulation between 11,000 and 25,000.

Staff writer Barbara Wood won a second-place award for coverage of local government for

her stories on Atherton Councilman Bill Widmer, who surprised many on Dec. 17, 2014, with the news that he had been named the new city manager in Rancho Palos Verdes, nearly 400 miles south in Los Angeles County. Then he surprised people again when he said he didn’t plan to immediately move from Atherton or resign his council seat. By Dec. 22, Rancho Palos Verdes rescinded the offer.

Associate Editor Renee Batti won a second-place award for best writing for her July 29, 2015, cover story, “One small seed,” about how an exchange of ideas by three friends led to a worker-owned farming enterprise on the grounds of St. Patrick’s Seminary in Menlo Park.

Seven other Almanac’s entries were Blue Ribbon finalists, meaning they came in third or fourth. They were for general excellence, online general excellence, feature photo (staff photographer Michelle Le), inside page layout and design (designer Paul Llewellyn), best front page (designer Lili Cao), coverage of business news (“As Facebook grows, it works to make neighbors into friends,” by Barbara Wood), and feature writing (Menlo Park poet J. David Cummings recalls atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki through his verse, by Renee Batti).

The Almanac’s sister paper, the Mountain View Voice, edited by former Almanac staffer Andrea Gemmet, won for general excellence in print and snagged another dozen first and second-place awards.

Another Almanac sister paper, the Palo Alto Weekly, also won 13 first and second-place awards.

Virginia Hork Gertridge

January 11, 1925 – April 21, 2016

Surrounded by family, Virginia (Ginny) Gertridge peacefully took her last bow in this life at her home in Menlo Park on April 21st. She was 91.

Born in Hollywood, Virginia was the second of four children. Her childhood years were spent in Ontario and Napa, CA.

Graduating from Napa High School in 1942, she went to work for the Naval base on Mare Island for the remainder of WWII, followed by a 3-year career as a stewardess for Western Airlines — where she reigned as Miss Western Airlines.

Through mutual friends, Virginia met the love of her life, John Gertridge. They were married at the Carmel Mission in 1950 and made their first home on the strand in Hermosa Beach.

Upon the arrival of their first child a year later, they moved to the Peninsula, eventually settling in Menlo Park, where they reared their four children. In addition to being the best Wife, Mom and Nonnie in the world, for many years Ginny served as an active volunteer with the Children’s Health Council, Junior League of Palo Alto and Nativity Church.

She was preceded in death in 2006 by her loving husband, Johnny, and is survived by her children and their families: Jay (John Jr.) & Trish Gertridge of Menlo Park and their children Kirsten, Meghan and Jack (John III); Janet Gertridge of Santa Cruz and her son, Les; Dick & Penny Gertridge of San Francisco and their children, Kyle and Lisa; and Gigi & Jorge Noa of San Francisco.

A memorial service will be held at the Church of the Nativity in Menlo Park, Monday, May 9th at 11:30 am.

The family requests that any donations in Virginia Gertridge’s memory may be made to the Pathways Hospice Foundation, Macular Degeneration Foundation or one’s favorite charity.



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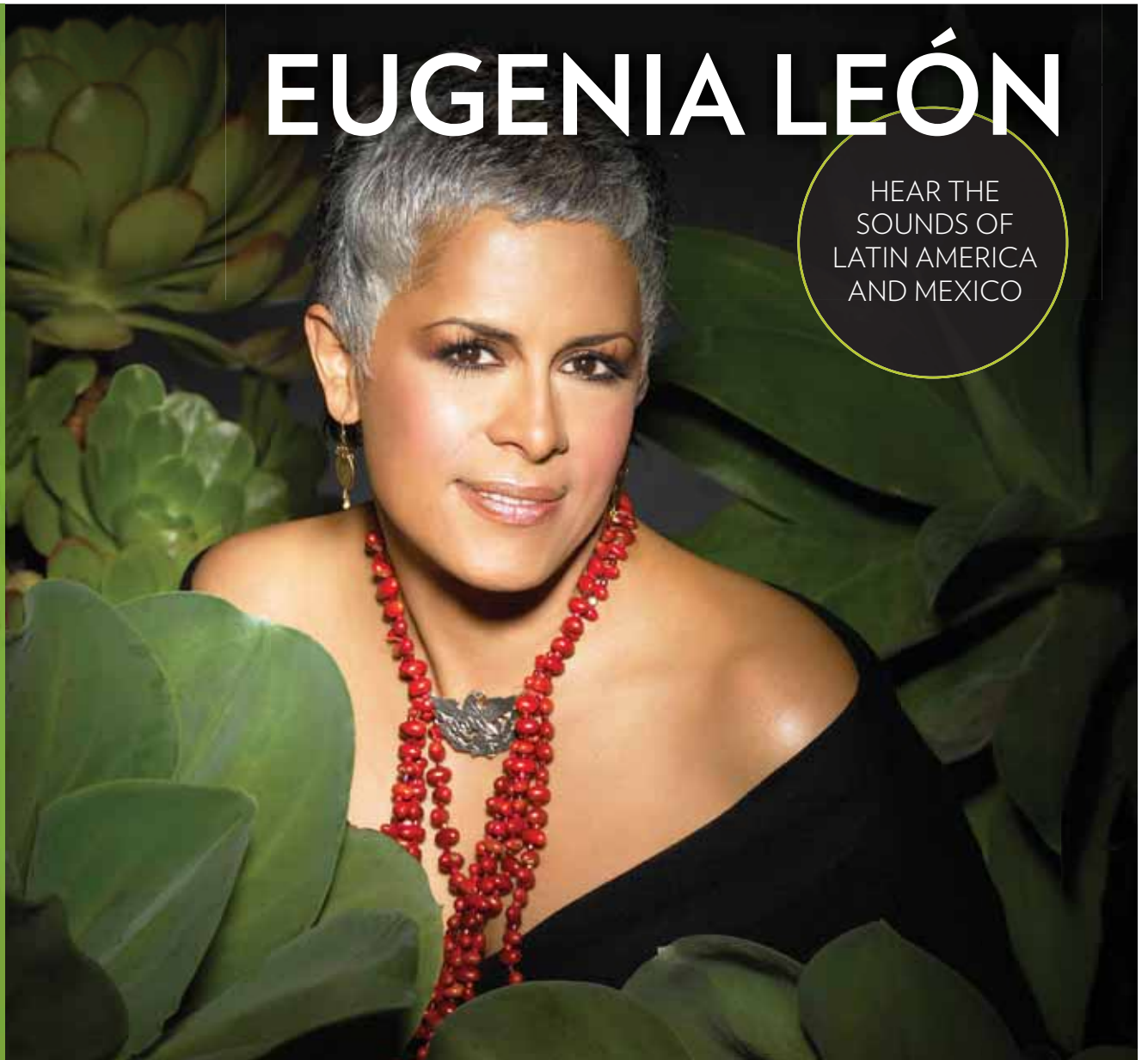
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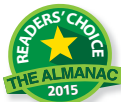
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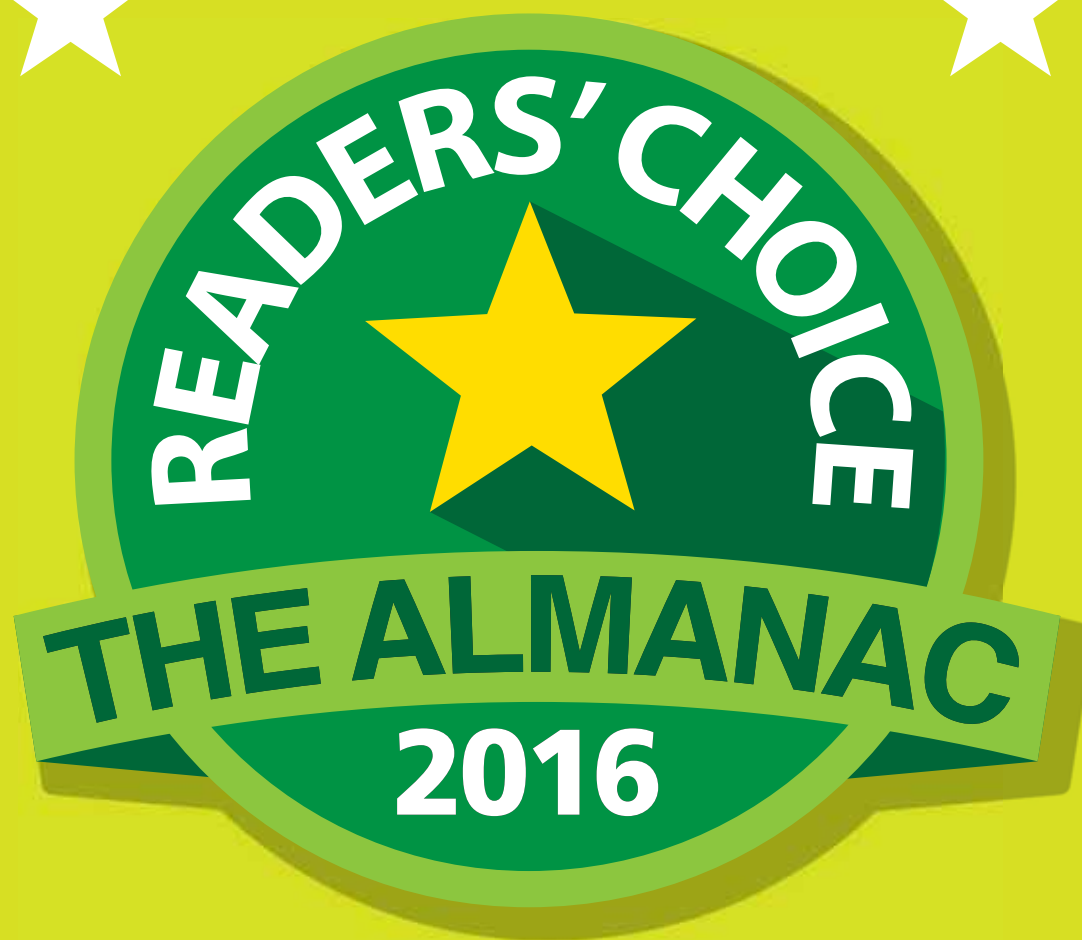
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Muttville staffer Bunny Rosenberg with members of Girl Scout Troop 61719 of Menlo Park.

Girl Scouts deliver the goods

April was a busy month for Menlo Park Girl Scout Troop 61719. On April 20 six scouts delivered a \$1,000 donation to Muttville senior dog rescue in San Francisco. On April 21 four of the scouts delivered supplies and more than \$2,000 to the Homeless Youth Alliance in San Francisco.

They raised the Muttville money by holding a movie night in March showing "Star Wars Episode IV." They charged admission and sold

popcorn, candy, dog treats and dog toys they had made.

The scouts have been spreading the word about the benefits of adopting an older dog while working toward a bronze award, which is a 20-hour public service project. Muttville will be bringing dogs to the Menlo Charity Horse Show in August.

The Homeless Youth Alliance received \$2,221 from money raised from "Trails for Tents" hike-a-thon held

in Redwood City on March 18. The girls also did a "tent and tarp" drive at Peninsula School, where they received more than 30 items, including sleeping bags, tents, tarps, raincoats and socks. The outreach was a community service project working toward a bronze award.

Maren Stever is troop leader of Troop 61719. Meetings are held at Peninsula School in Menlo Park. The girls are in fourth, fifth and sixth grade.

Authors' salon raises funds for Peninsula Volunteers

By **Kate Bradshaw**
 Almanac Staff Writer

Though the skies on the morning of April 10 were gray and drizzly, the room at the Sharon Heights Golf & Country Club in Menlo Park was bright as five authors spoke on a panel at an authors' salon.

The salon was the 25th annual fundraiser to benefit the Menlo Park-based nonprofit Peninsula Volunteers, which provides services for seniors, including Meals on Wheels, the Little House Activity Center and Rosener House adult day care.

Featured authors were spy novelist LM Reynolds, art history and archaeology scholar Patrick Hunt, "semi-retired" journalist William Carlsen, and fiction author and memoirist Lynn Freed. The event was moderated by Bruce Henderson, a Menlo Park resident and author.

Ms. Reynolds, who lives in Florida, published her debut

novel, "Spies in our Midst," after working at Pan American Airlines and then in information technology. Her second novel is scheduled for release in June.

The salon was the 25th annual fundraiser to benefit the Menlo Park-based nonprofit.

Mr. Hunt has written 17 books and is a professor who heads the Alpine Archaeology Project at Stanford, where he leads research in the Swiss, Italian and French Alps. He has written books about art history, wine, mythology, poetry and aphorisms.

Mr. Carlsen, who lives in Sonoma and has lived in Guatemala, talked about his latest book: "Jungle of Stone: The True Story of Two Men, Their Extraordinary Journey and the

Discovery of the Lost Civilization of the Maya." He has worked as a journalist at the San Francisco Chronicle and the New York Times and taught at the U.C. Berkeley School of Journalism.

Ms. Freed, a novelist who recently retired from teaching literature and creative writing at U.C. Davis, has published six novels and a number of essays and short stories.

Mr. Henderson, a journalist who has taught writing and reporting at the University of Southern California School of Journalism and at Stanford, most recently wrote "Rescue at Los Banos: The most Daring Prison Camp Raid of World War II," which he said he learned about by reading an obituary in the New York Times. The worst question he has to answer while promoting his book is, "What is your book about?" he said.

Tickets were \$125 per person. ▣

Virginia Gertridge

A memorial service will be held at 11:30 a.m. Monday, May 9, at Church of the Nativity in Menlo Park for Virginia "Ginny" Gertridge of Menlo Park who died April 21. She was 91.

Born in Hollywood, Ms. Gertridge grew up in Ontario and Napa. She was a graduate of Napa High School in 1942 and worked at the Naval base on Mare Island during World War II. For three years she was a flight attendant for Western Airlines, where she was named "Miss Western Airlines."

OBITUARIES

Obituaries are based on information provided by the family.

She was married to John Gertridge at Carmel Mission in 1950 and they made their first home in Hermosa Beach. A year later they moved to the Bay Area, eventually settling in Menlo Park. For many years she was an active



Virginia Gertridge

volunteer with the Children's Health Council, the Junior League of Palo Alto/Mid Peninsula and Church of the Nativity.

Preceded in death in 2006 by her husband, John, she is survived by her children, Jay (Trish) Gertridge of Menlo Park, Janet Gertridge of Santa Cruz, Dick (Penny) Gertridge of San Francisco, and Gigi (Jorge) Noa of San Francisco; and six grandchildren.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Pathways Hospice Foundation, the Macular Degeneration Foundation or a favorite charity.

Cora Jean Wiegand

Cora Wiegand died Feb. 24 at her Menlo Park home at the age of 81. Born in Glen Ullin, North Dakota, she made her home on the Peninsula for nearly 50 years.

In recent years, she was very active with the Peninsula Volunteers. For the past 14 years she greeted and checked in guests each Tuesday for Little House events.



Cora Jean Wiegand

She loved to travel, say family members, and enjoyed movies, music, dancing, art and live theater. Known for her style and beauty, she was strong, charming, and a devoted friend, they say.

She is survived by her daughters, Johanna Harrison, Jean Wiegand, Susan Wiegand, and Jennifer Edwards; siblings Gary, Rochelle, Valerie and Robert; Ron Silzer of Menlo Park and nine grandchildren. Memorial donations may be made to the Peninsula Volunteers or to Little House.

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Landscapes: Tips for continuing to conserve water

By **Kate Daly**
Special to the Almanac

Now that this winter has brought some rain to California, does that mean to stop worrying about the water situation and go ahead and do some spring planting?

Even if Gov. Jerry Brown modifies statewide water restrictions, experts argue it makes sense to become more water-efficient and continue to conserve in a state that is naturally dry.

That was the takeaway message at a recent free class on “California Friendly Landscapes” sponsored by the California Water Service company, the state Department of Water Resources, G3 (the Green Gardens Group), and the town of Portola Valley, where the event was held.

Pamela Berstler, a landscape contractor and CEO of G3 in Southern California, talked to dozens of Bear Gulch District water customers about rethinking landscaping and making changes to take what she calls a “watershed approach.”

The process involves capturing rainwater and using it on site, but she emphasizes the real starting point is deciding “which plant is the right plant, and where is the right place for it” in a yard. Then, look at how feeding and watering impacts the larger picture of keeping local water bodies viable and pollution-free.

Ms. Berstler is a proponent of minimizing lawns and planting natives because, she says, “climate-appropriate native plants need about 20 percent of the water lawns need.”

“Drought-tolerant plants don’t really exist; our gardens need to be drought-adaptive,” she says.

She suggests selecting plants that have adapted to doing well in this Mediterranean climate. She describes them as usually having leathery dark green leaves, small silver and/or hairy leaves, or leaves that follow the sun like Manzanitas.

She also encourages buying local natives to promote a healthy ecosystem. She gives this example: Butterflies will only lay their eggs on native local plants, and not on a butterfly bush because it’s not native to California.

She cautions against planting highly proliferating invasives such as Stipa tenuissima (Mexican feather grass), and prefers choosing Stipa pulchra (purple needle grass) because it’s native.

Plantright.org is the website she refers people to for more information on invasive plants.

Ms. Berstler of G3 says that “80 percent of what’s going on is going on below the ground in the root system,” so the balance of oxygen,

water and life underground needs to be optimized in what she calls “a living soil sponge.”

Billions of bacteria, protozoa, nematodes and fungi thrive in organic matter and nurture plants, whereas “fertilizer,” she warns, “kills microbes in the soil, so stop with nitrogen, potassium and phosphorous.”

To amend soil she advises handling it as gently as possible and spraying a compost tea or spreading a quarter inch of compost on top.

If the soil is compacted, drill down with an augur at regular intervals to the base of root balls and then fill the holes with compost or worm castings, she says.

She recommends adding 2 to 4 inches of mulch on top of that to slow down evaporation and weed growth.

Ms. Berstler is also big on sheet mulching to rejuvenate soil. That’s when layers of newspaper or cardboard are placed on top of the ground, and then covered with compost, mulch and water

to jumpstart decomposition. The process can take months.

As for lawns, at least once a year aerate, dethatch and feed them organic compost — not herbicides, pesticides or fertilizers that can harm the environment, she says.

She stresses that cool season grasses such as Kentucky blue, fescue and rye are too thirsty for this area, and that warm season grasses such as Bermuda, St. Augustine, Zoysia and Kikuyu require less water.

She recommends watering in

a cycle-and-soak pattern, with sprinklers on for about three minutes, off for 20, on for three, off for 20, and then on for another three.

Keeping grass height at 3 to 4 inches, and taking clippings and spreading them out on top of the lawn — or using a mulching mower to grind up clippings in place — are good ideas, she says.

Ideally, she would like to see people steering away from lawns and looking at alternatives such

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Campaigning for the Capitol

Eight candidates compete for Assembly seat

By Gennady Sheyner, Mark Noack and Kate Bradshaw

From the coastal communities of Santa Cruz and Half Moon Bay to the sprawling campuses of Google, Facebook and Hewlett-Packard Co., the 24th District in the California Assembly is a place of scenic beauty and high-tech might, of affluent suburbs and blue-collar enclaves, of startup dreams and traffic nightmares.

Nature lovers and innovators have been flocking to this pocket of California for well over a century, since before Horace Greeley offered his famous dictum, “Go west, young man,” to anyone who’d listen. In recent decades, the district’s roster of pioneers has expanded to include the likes of Steve Jobs, Mark Zuckerberg, Sergey Brin and Larry Page.

The district has its share of problems: insufficient housing, aging infrastructure, gaping income inequality and an uneven education system.

Located between San Francisco and San Jose, the district embodies some of the iconic features of both cities: an educated populace, a startup mentality and gentrification that, in many communities, creates barriers for newcomers and heartbreak for long-timers who cannot keep up with rising rents.

There are also “quality of life” problems, such as excessive airplane noise and insufficient parking, perpetual conflicts between developers and environmentalists, and a mass-transit system that everyone agrees is overdue for a major investment.

The eight candidates vying to replace Assemblyman Rich Gordon, D-Menlo Park, all believe they have the solutions to the problems of both the district and California at large. They come from backgrounds as varied as the communities that make up the district. Mr. Gordon, who has been representing the district since 2010, will reach his term limit at the end of the year.

The ballot will include five sitting council members: Marc Berman from Palo Alto; Mike Kasperzak and John Inks from Mountain View; Peter Ohtaki from Menlo Park; and Barry Chang from Cupertino.

Two other candidates — Seelam Reddy and Jay Cabrera — are running dark-horse campaigns

on shoe-string budgets (something each has done in the past).

Vicki Veenker, a patent attorney, is the only candidate who has neither sought nor held an elected office in the past. She has, however, helped to co-found a women’s soccer league and, in her current run, earned endorsements from both the California Nurses Association and the California Teachers Association.

Much like the district’s constituency, the candidates are predominantly Democrats, though it does include a Republican, Menlo Park Councilman Ohtaki, and a Libertarian, Mountain View Councilman Inks.

In the June 7 primary, the eight will square off, with the two top vote-getters advancing

to the Nov. 8 general election ballot.

The 2016 race is the most competitive since at least 2010, when Mr. Gordon beat out former Palo Alto councilwoman Yoriko Kishimoto and technologist Josh Becker to claim his seat. He has been re-elected twice since.

Over a series of interviews in recent weeks, each of the eight candidates has offered a distinct vision for the district and explained his or her views about the hot topics of the day: high-speed rail, legalization of marijuana, affordable housing, transportation, water tunnels and the broader threat of climate change.

Here are the views and profiles of the eight Assembly candidates.



Veronica Weber

Marc Berman Palo Alto city councilman

Marc Berman’s Democratic evolution may be traced to the time when, as a 7-year-old, he took part in a private tour of the White House and spent the whole time talking about how much he hated then-vice president George H.W. Bush — a fury that Mr. Berman attributes at least in part to an abscessed tooth.

Or to his internship as an undergraduate student at Georgetown University in U.S.

Rep. Anna Eshoo’s office. Or to his work the following year on Mike Honda’s first congressional campaign. Or to the time he left Palo Alto with two suitcases and moved to South Dakota to help Tim Johnson defeat John Thune in a nail-biting 2002 Senate election.

A nephew of Rudy Boschwitz, a former two-term U.S. senator from Minnesota (who, along with his wife, Ellen, organized the aforementioned White House tour and who later had

to write a letter of apology), Mr. Berman grew up steeped in politics — though it didn’t take long for him to realize that he and his Republican uncle weren’t on the same sides.

“To a lot of people, when they’re growing up, politics is what other people do. The family doesn’t talk about it a lot. It’s not tangible. For me, growing up, it was,” he said.

Now 35, Mr. Berman began dipping his toes into political waters as a teenager, becoming

student body president at Palo Alto High School. He enrolled at Emory University and, after his freshman year, spent time in Rep. Eshoo's office in Washington, D.C., answering phones and assisting constituents.

He transferred to Georgetown University and the following summer assisted with Mr. Honda's victorious campaign. The next year, he took a summer stint as voting analyst in the Civil Rights Division at the Justice Department, reviewing applications for changes to polling places from states that are subject to the Civil Rights Voting Act.

His first foray into national politics came in 2002, when he moved to South Dakota to work on the Johnson campaign. And while Mr. Johnson's razor-thin victory over Thune was rewarding, the thrill didn't last. In 2004, Mr. Thune made national headlines when he defeated Senate leader Tom Daschle, on whose behalf Mr. Berman was working.

Jay Cabrera Community activist

Jay Cabrera wants you to know that he is a "Bernie" candidate.

Sure, the California Secretary of State recently rejected Mr. Cabrera's bid to include "Bernie" (quotation marks included) as part of his name on the June ballot. But while the nickname was scratched, the rhetoric remains.

In a recent interview, he said he is a "firm believer in understanding that the economy is being rigged" and that "campaign finance is being rigged to benefit the richest of the rich."

Much like the senator from Vermont, Mr. Cabrera touts the fact that his campaign is based on small contributions and grassroots support — a similar approach that he took in his prior six unsuccessful political campaigns (he was on the ballot for three of them: his run for the Santa Cruz City Council in 2008; a congressional bid in 2012; and Palo Alto's school board race in 2014). He had also campaigned for the 24th District Assembly seat in 2010, though as a write-in candidate he did not appear on the ballot.

He recognizes that his current campaign is against "quite a steep hill, given the amount of money and organization that some of the big-money candidates have." But, he said in a recent interview, "Winning is not the most important thing."

"The integrity of the system is more important," he said. "And being true to myself and making

"Campaigns are great when you win; they're a kick in the gut when you lose," Mr. Berman said.

Chastened by the defeat, Mr. Berman enrolled at the University of Southern California law school, went on to practice corporate law at two firms, and began thinking about his political career.

His first opportunity came in 2010, when he decided to jump into the Assembly race to succeed Ira Ruskin. Ultimately, Mr. Berman withdrew from the race and endorsed Josh Becker, one of three candidates vying for the seat (along with eventual winner Rich Gordon and former Palo Alto Mayor Yoriko Kishimoto).

Shortly after the election, Mr. Berman said he met with Mr. Gordon, who advised him to get involved locally. He took the advice to heart and, over the next few years, served on a citizen oversight committee for a Santa Clara Valley Water District tax measure and on a blue-ribbon committee in Palo

Alto that surveyed the city's infrastructure needs.

He also joined the board of the Peninsula Democratic Coalition; became the founding advisory board member of the Silicon Valley chapter of the New Leaders Council; and helped relaunch Peninsula Young Democrats.

In 2012, he won a seat on the Palo Alto City Council. At a time when the council has been split between slow-growth "residentialists" and members more accepting of new development, Mr. Berman has typically voted with the latter.

His voting record has been, for the most part, moderate (the slow-growth citizens group Palo Altans for Sensible Zoning in early 2014 gave him a 56 percent rating; only two avowed residentialists, Karen Holman and Greg Schmid, scored better). And on a council that at times favors lengthy speeches, granular micro-management and philosophical divisions, Mr. Berman is generally concise and

invariably respectful.

There have been a few exceptions. In 2013, he gave a lengthy monologue accompanied by a video to demonstrate why he believed a proposed housing development on Maybell Avenue should be approved (many residents disagreed and voted to overturn the project later that year).

Also in 2013, he was one of only two council members to oppose a ban on vehicle dwelling, a decision that he said "started with my gut and then it became a position." The council ultimately overturned the ban.

More recently, Mr. Berman has become involved in housing and education issues. He had recently spent a year as development director at the Silicon Valley Education Foundation, resigning last fall to focus on his council duties and the Assembly race. At a recent candidates forum, he made a case that California has dramatically underfunded its schools and colleges and also

advocated for the state to build more housing and reinvest in infrastructure.

He has strengthened his party connections, raised \$226,476 for this campaign (second only to Barry Chang) and secured endorsements from Mr. Gordon, Lt. Gov. Gavin Newsom, former state Controller Steve Westly and Assembly Speaker pro Tempore Kevin Mullin, among others. Now, he hopes to channel their support, along with his experience, to win the seat and do his part to "level the playing field" in Silicon Valley.

"The side that carries the day for me is the side that believes that a lot of people get born into pretty rough situations in life due to no fault of their own," Mr. Berman said in a recent interview. "And that government can play an equalizing factor to make sure they get an opportunity to succeed, even notwithstanding the difficult situation they were born into."



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sure we are actually representing the people."

One of his major goals is to create a "21st century democracy" through which residents have more say in decisions. This means promoting direct democracy by giving people the technological tools to constantly communicate with government representatives and vote on issues as they arise. It also means encouraging more participatory democracy — the sort where residents actually attend government meetings.

His goal, he said, is to find the right balance between the existing system of representative democracy and the other two types, which are more in line with his grassroots leanings. This means more debates and more interaction between the people and their elected leaders.

Mr. Cabrera, 36, said he believes California has enough resources to solve its top problems when it comes to education, housing and transportation. What's missing is political will.

Inadequate campaign-finance laws, he said, have created a system in which "you have rich individuals putting big money into the election process and getting their special-interest representatives voted into the Legislature and into Congress."

If elected, he said, he would work to reverse the trend and increase taxes on the wealthiest residents. He is fully behind Bernie Sanders' proposal to

tax derivative- and fast-money transactions. The money could then be used to fix transportation and make college education "free and guaranteed."

The theme of getting the richest to contribute more toward general welfare extends to other issues as well. Take the state's housing crisis, for example.

"I don't think affordable housing is a complicated issue. It's just a priority issue," he said. "We just need to force organizations, when they're building, (to devote) a certain percent ... for the community and the public."

He also said he believes the money is there to address transportation challenges. His priority is a modernized Caltrain system, but he also supports the state's proposed high-speed rail line (though he said he understands the public's frustration with the way the project has rolled out).

"High-speed rail is a normal thing to have in an industrialized first-world country, and we are the richest state in the richest country in the world," Mr. Cabrera said.

He is particularly passionate when it comes to sustainability. He is well-versed in the intricacies of Gov. Jerry Brown's proposal to build two tunnels to carry water from Sacramento to more populous regions in the southern part of the state. He currently opposes the plan because he believes it doesn't do enough to protect and enhance

the environment. He challenges the assertion that building massive tunnels and taking water away from the Sacramento River is good for the river.

"I think it's very important to separate what humans need (from) what the environment needs," he said. "We need separate plans and separate goals."

On the broader issue of sustainability, he said society should treat the "human economy" as a subsidiary of the "natural economy." He believes in "rights of nature," a legal system in which any person can represent nature in court.

He also wants to make sure that in California's production of goods, all objects are reused, recycled and environmentally sustainable.

"We'd outlaw landfills, and designers and engineers would have to design projects to be infinitely reused," he said.

Mr. Cabrera has plenty of other ambitions: Break up big banks. End Super PACs. Increase the minimum wage. Most of his goals are aligned with those of Mr. Sanders, a candidate whom he began to follow in 2015.

Whatever happens in the June primary, he is unlikely to end his democratic crusade any time soon. His top priorities go well beyond the 24th Assembly District's — or, for that matter, the state's — boundaries.

"I'm collaborating and working with the movement to support building a grassroots, bottom-up participatory democracy modeled to change and transform our political system in the United States," he said. "If our government is truly going to represent the people, we need normal people running and winning."

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Barry Chang Cupertino mayor

In his campaign materials, Cupertino Mayor Barry Chang's top goals include environmental protection, job growth and boosting education. But to hear him talk, his passions are clearly most riled up by transportation, particularly the non-stop congestion that clogs Silicon Valley's roads on a daily basis.

Perhaps more than any candidate, Mr. Chang, 64, is making the area's transit woes his campaign centerpiece, and he doesn't shy away from pointing fingers and blaming county transportation officials.

"The north county and west valley's transportation problems are being ignored, and that's what's causing these problems," he said. "The money is supposed to be spent evenly and where the gridlock is congested most, but it hasn't gone that way."

It is an "embarrassment," he said, that the South Bay lacks a speedy transit alternative. Transportation officials would point to efforts to extend Santa

Clara Valley Transportation Authority light rail and BART, but he blasts the current priorities as misguided. It makes little sense, he said, to bring BART to San Jose instead of the Peninsula or to begin constructing the California high-speed rail system through the rural Central Valley rather than the urban coastal cities.

He wants to portray himself as the candidate who will go to the mat for the greater good. Traffic is awful and getting worse; tech companies need to contribute more; polluting industries need to be held accountable — and he said he's the best man to solve those woes.

He points to his experience haggling with Apple Inc. over the company's extensive new headquarters as proof that he can work as a shrewd negotiator. In recent weeks, he unveiled a plan to charge a new employee-headcount tax as evidence he believes tech companies need to do more.

"We're getting into a situation where if you don't solve the traffic



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situation and the housing crisis you're going to have an impact on the economic growth here," he said. "That's why I'm running."

Mr. Chang can rightly claim some know-how when it comes to transportation. Trained in Taiwan as a combat engineer, he worked on a variety of infrastructure projects including the country's first freeway. He later immigrated to the U.S. to complete a master's degree in civil engineering, which eventually brought him to the Bay Area to work on designing nuclear power plants. He later decided to

switch careers and go into real estate sales.

He is married and is proud to have two daughters and a son. He and his wife together own and operate a home-and-loan brokerage company in Cupertino.

Mr. Chang's entrance into politics came through the local schools. He was active in parent groups and in 1995 successfully ran for a seat on the Cupertino Union School District board. After eight years on the school board, he decided to enter city politics, first as a volunteer

safety commissioner.

He was elected to the Cupertino City Council in 2009 and will be termed out from running again in 2018. He made an unsuccessful run for the District 24 Assembly seat in 2014.

Mr. Chang's current attempt at state office recently was handed a setback when the state's Fair Political Practices Commission announced he had failed to follow disclosure rules on his 2014 contributors. Mr. Chang's campaign failed to provide full information on 160 donors, and the commission fined his campaign \$3,500.

Asked about this, he said the problem stemmed from his volunteer treasurer, who was under intense stress after losing his job and had to quit abruptly. The campaign struggled to replace him, Mr. Chang said, and this ultimately caused some political filings to lack information, such as donors' occupations and employer information.

He said he takes responsibility for the slip-up, and he is adamant that it won't happen again. "It's my fault. I'm the candidate, and I should have looked into it more carefully," he said. "I'm sorry it happened this way, but it won't happen again."

John Inks Mountain View city councilman

How does a Libertarian get elected to political office in Silicon Valley?

That's the big question for John Inks, one of eight candidates vying this June for an Assembly seat, and he admits the search is still on for a solid answer.

The Mountain View city councilman is confident that a growing number of voters favor the principles of small government and personal freedom, but he said he isn't clear on how to translate those values into votes. Part of his inspiration to run, he said, is so that people at least have a candidate with those priorities as a choice.

"I want people to know there's someone like me who cares about property rights and will be an advocate for taxpayers," he said. "Individual liberty and freedom: Those are the kinds of things that if we don't exercise it, we lose it."

Not infrequently, those ideals have left Mr. Inks as the

lone voice of opposition on some crucial decisions during his tenure in Mountain View politics. Among some examples, he opposed raising Mountain View's minimum wage, imposing a cap on carbon emissions, and raising development fees to fund affordable housing. He readily admits in some cases the political winds of the South Bay are going one way, and he's headed in a completely different direction.

"I use my Libertarian tiller; it keeps me straight and it makes it easy to make tough decisions," he said. "In my tenure on the council, I've tried to be an advocate for freedom and liberty, but (local politics) have gone the exact opposite way."

He said he is encouraged by recent discussions over issues like rent control in which a large contingent of people voiced support for private property rights. If elected to

state government, he said he would support the legalization of recreational marijuana, lower taxes, and push for efforts to create market-driven solutions for state challenges, such as handing over roads maintenance to private contractors.

Even though he acknowledged he would have fundamental disagreements with many stakeholders, he said he can be an able communicator willing to talk with the experts to create policy.

Mr. Inks has lived in Mountain View since moving there for his first job with Lockheed Martin, and he worked for more than 40 years as an engineer. It was during his early years in the area that he began forming his political views. When a Republican colleague accused him of being a Libertarian, there was no going back, he said.

His entrance into local civic activities came gradually, starting with pouring ciders at a holiday tree-lighting ceremony and



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transitioning to volunteering for other candidates' campaigns. He later joined the city's Parks and Recreation Commission.

After retiring from his job in 2005, he decided to make a run for city politics. He lost his first bid for Mountain View City Council in 2006, but he won two years later.

With his term ending later

this year, he said his supporters encouraged him to run for the Assembly. The 66-year-old is upfront that if he doesn't win, he can find plenty of other ways to spend his retirement years.

"I enjoy leisure; I like travel; I love ballroom dancing," he said. "There's plenty of things to keep me busy."

Mike Kasperzak Mountain View city councilman

Why should Mike Kasperzak be picked to serve in the Assembly? His pitch boils down to the argument that he's by far the most

experienced. He points to four terms on the Mountain View City Council and, prior to that, many more years on city commissions, a total of 21 years in public service.

"It's easy to talk about what you want to do, but I have a proven track record of accomplishments," he said.

The most noteworthy of his

accomplishments, he said, is helping craft Mountain View's rental housing impact fee — the city's surcharge of around 8 percent on new development that helps fund affordable housing. The policy is an example of how various stakeholders came together to achieve a solution. Last year, he helped spearhead Mountain View's pol-

icy to raise the minimum wage to \$15 by 2018, one of the first of its kind in the Bay Area.

"The thing I've been passionate about is affordable housing and how we can maintain the socio-economic diversity of the community," he said.

Some argue that he doesn't go far enough toward that

goal. In recent months, crowds have packed Mountain View's council chambers demanding regulations — namely rent control to rein in the housing market. He declined to support rent control, saying it would ultimately be a flawed policy. Instead, he crafted his own legislation focused on voluntary restrictions for landlords.

While the idea didn't win him friends among tenants' advocates, pieces of his proposal were adopted as part of the city's final policy.

If elected to state office, he would like to join the legislative committees on housing, transportation or water. He hopes to boost construction of affordable

housing by streamlining regulations and creating incentives for cities that balance their jobs and housing supply. More state funding for subsidized housing would also help, he added.

As to water projects, he backs more funding for recycled water and desalination plants.

When it comes to transportation, he wants to improve road maintenance and alternative transit systems.

Now 62, he said he was inspired by his parents to become active in civic affairs. Growing up in northern Michigan, he served in student government in high school and attended a national convention for youth interested in politics.

At age 16, he gained his pilot's license and worked at the local airport as a lineman and gofer. After graduating with a law degree years later, he spent about a decade as a trial attorney specializing in aviation cases. He left the law firm and opened his own practice, which he continues to run, specializing in arbitration and mediation.

Around this time, he got immersed in local politics. "It's a way to give back to the community and to participate in solving problems," he said. "It's an experience that I really enjoy because it's intellectually stimulating."

Fun fact about Mr. Kasperzak: His newest hobby is beekeeping.



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Peter Ohtaki Menlo Park city councilman

Peter Ohtaki, the only Republican in the race, said he would emphasize "limited government focused on solving key issues such as infrastructure" and increase the use of public-private partnerships.

He grew up in Menlo Park, attending La Entrada Middle School and Woodside High School, where he participated in student government.

Four cold winters at Harvard University as an undergraduate and another four in New York prompted him to return to the milder climes of the Peninsula to attend Stanford University for an MBA. Since then, he said, he's lived, worked or spent time in all of the cities within the district.

Mr. Ohtaki works for Wells Fargo as vice president and regional emergency manager in Northern California. He was previously executive director of the California Resiliency Alliance, a nonprofit that develops public-private partnerships to help with community disaster response, recovery and adaptation to climate change.

Before that, from 1994 to 2005, he worked as the chief financial officer of a consumer electronics startup in Marin called NetTV.

Further back, he worked in investment banking at Morgan Stanley, Merrill Lynch and C.E. Unterberg, Towbin.

He has served on the board of the Menlo Park Fire Protection District and is in his second term on the Menlo Park City Council (he was elected in 2010 and 2014). He was mayor of Menlo Park in 2013.

"I've developed a reputation as being a numbers guy," he said, noting that as a member of the council, he helped balance a Menlo Park budget by paying down unfunded pension liability, thereby reducing interest costs.

He said the state should build partnerships with businesses, rather than automatically seek new taxes or fees. For example, he said, the state should partner with businesses to support underfunded state parks. The state should also work with cloud-based technology companies to make it easier for businesses to register, pay taxes and comply with state regulations, he said.

Over the past decade, he said, he has developed public-private partnerships in his work to promote emergency preparedness across the Bay Area. He worked

with city, state and county agencies, and about 70 businesses to develop plans and guidelines in case of disasters such as earthquakes or fires.

He said he is a bipartisan problem-solver, having worked with Democratic Assembly members to pass legislation. In 2008, he worked with Assemblyman Pedro Nava, D-Santa Barbara, to pass a law that extends "Good Samaritan" protections to business and nonprofits that provide services or goods during emergencies without fear of lawsuits.

In 2014, he worked with current District 24 Assemblyman Rich Gordon, D-Menlo Park, to draft AB 1690 to give cities greater flexibility in zoning for housing.

The big problems the state will need to address in coming years are transportation and water infrastructure, unfunded pension liability, and the state debt, he said.

He said the current budget surplus in California contains one-time funds from capital gains and should be used to fund one-time capital improvements, such as transportation infrastructure and to pay down



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Seelam Reddy Retired engineer

Ever since he splashed onto Palo Alto's political scene two years ago, retired engineer Seelam Reddy has offered the public his opinions on a wide and eclectic range of issues, big and small, local and regional. His interests have ranged from the closure of the YMCA on Page Mill Road to a new grocery store for College

Terrace to the state's high-speed rail project and minimum wage.

His comments are often unscripted and, at times, unpredictable, as when he called on Palo Alto City Councilman Marc Berman (his opponent in the Assembly race) recently to resign his council seat and hand it over to Lydia Kou, who finished sixth out of 12 candidates

in a race for five seats in 2014.

He took part in the 2014 council race, finishing eleventh. He picked up 1.7 percent of the votes, or 1,270 in total. But he does not view the result as a failure so much as a learning experience. As he told the Weekly in a recent interview, he is a "glass half full" kind of guy.

In addressing the council or

unfunded pension liabilities.

His enthusiasm for investment in transportation infrastructure, though, doesn't extend to the state's planned high-speed rail system. The \$64 billion could be better used to address transportation infrastructure needs for Bay Area commuters, such as grade separations of roadways and railroad tracks, the electrification of the Caltrain commuter rail line, increasing Caltrain's capacity and maintaining the area's highways, he said.

He also supports building infrastructure to allow recycled water to be used for irrigation, especially in new construction projects. He'd also like to see

investments in capital improvements in poorer school districts.

In general, he wants Silicon Valley technology to be applied to state services so that they operate more efficiently.

There's a saying in Silicon Valley that innovation comes from doing things "smaller, faster and better," he said. "That's something that Sacramento and the state government could learn from."

Mr. Ohtaki lives in Menlo Park and is married with three children, ages 10, 8 and 7. "One of things I most love about this area," he said, is that it "continues to be a great place to raise a family."

answering questions about his positions, he focuses on big "ideas," with the understanding that details are yet to be worked out. He wants to "create more jobs, jobs, jobs," as his business card proclaims, while also raising the hourly wage to \$15 to \$20. He wants to "uplift" East Palo Alto. He also would like Palo Alto residents with large houses with empty bedrooms to share their space with those who cannot otherwise afford to live in the city.

His request that Mr. Berman

resign his council seat (which Mr. Berman swiftly rejected) came despite the fact that the council, as a democratically elected body, cannot unilaterally add members who weren't elected. These are details, and Mr. Reddy, as he will reiterate, is interested in "ideas."

Mr. Reddy, who goes by "Sea," was born in India, immigrated to the United States to attend Texas Tech University and has spent the past three decades in California.

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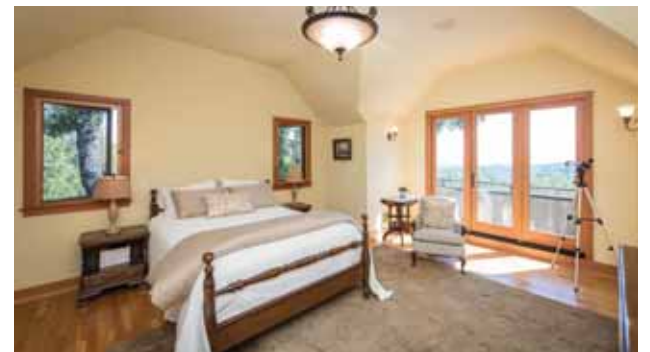
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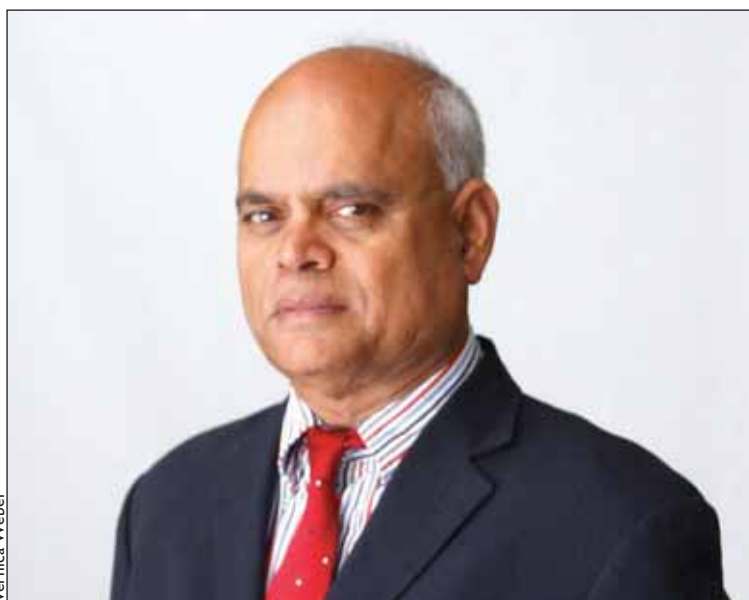
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A retired engineer, he worked at high-tech and aerospace firms such as McDonnell Douglas, Boeing Company and, more recently, VMware. He began attending council meetings in 2014, just after he announced his campaign for that body, and has remained a regular presence at City Hall ever since.

In his run for the Assembly seat, he plans to follow a similar blueprint from 2014. He once again touts the fact that, unlike other candidates, he has no connections among Silicon Valley's elite classes and talks about his opposition to "shady deals." He emphasizes that he isn't seeking any donations.

But in some ways, his thinking has changed: He's given a lot of thought to broader issues. He calls



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Palo Alto a "heavenly place to live" and wants to keep it that way — and to do the same for Woodside, Los Altos Hills and other communities in the 24th District.

When asked about his top issue of concern, he said airplane noise — a subject that has been generating a loud citizen outcry.

When it comes to affordable

housing, another hot-button topic, he said he would oppose building large dense developments in single-family neighborhoods. Instead, he would prefer to see people who live alone in large houses to "open up rooms to allow other people to live in their houses." He also would like to see Silicon Valley's big corporations step up and build housing developments for their employees. Yet when it comes to development in general, he describes his philosophy as "no-growth/slow-growth."

"We don't really need to grow any more than we've already grown," he said. "We just need to sustain the things we already have and just make things better."

On the subject of education, Mr. Reddy said he would like to see more innovation. He supports increasing funding for education and encouraging the establishment of more charter

schools, and he calls for greater parental participation. While he opposes California's high-speed rail system, he said the state needs to invest more in transportation.

"Traffic is killing us. We need to relieve congestion," he said.

Given the crowded field of candidates and his low-budget methods, Mr. Reddy knows he has his work cut out for him. His campaign budget is around \$2,000, and he said he will not be depending on banners or other forms of advertising.

If he doesn't prevail in this election, the odds are you'll see him again in the near future, basking in the civic limelight and offering solutions to problems-of-the-day during the public-comments segment of City Council meetings.

"Running is part of my life. I'm not going to stop running," he said.

Vicki Veenker

Patent attorney

Vicki Veenker isn't a typical Assembly candidate. She's not a city council member looking for a grander stage. Nor is she a grassroots activist trying to make a statement on a shoe-string budget.

But she has helped launch a professional soccer league, served as president of the Law Foundation of Silicon Valley, represented a Nobel Prize winner, mediated cases for federal court and worked on what became Stanford University's top revenue-generating patent.

"I'm not following a traditional path," she said during a recent interview. "But for me, my experiences and skills that I've developed translate directly to this."

For all of its unorthodoxy, her leap from the private sector to the state Assembly race isn't any bigger, in her view, than that of any of her opponents in the crowded race. That's because from her youthful days organizing community forums for the Kettering Foundation at her alma mater, Indiana University, to her more recent legislative-advocacy duties for the Law Foundation, public policy has long been a topic of personal and professional interest. And the issues she's dealt with — whether inequality, the environment or education — are so much bigger and more complex than what city council members typically deal with, she said.

Ms. Veenker considered running a decade ago but forewent the opportunity to pursue two

others: helping to establish Women's Professional Soccer (for which she served as general counsel) and serving on the board at the Law Foundation, which offers free legal services to low-income clients. Both were places where she said she felt she could make a major impact.

Now, she said, the time is ripe to bring her ideals and experiences to Sacramento. She raised \$200,000 for the campaign in 2015 (trailing Barry Chang and Marc Berman) and has picked up a host of endorsements in recent months, including from the California Nurses Association, the California Teachers Association, the Sunnyvale Democratic Club, state Sen. Hannah-Beth Jackson and Palo Alto Mayor Pat Burt.

Ms. Veenker has been eschewing the "standard path" ever since she was an undergraduate at Indiana University, when she pursued degrees in both political science and biochemistry at a time when interdisciplinary studies was a rare concept. She went on to law school at Georgetown University and enjoyed stints at law firms Fish & Neave (which ultimately merged with Ropes & Gray) and Sherman & Sterling before starting her own firm. In discussing the joys of patent law, she said it "hit my love of science and society."

In 2002, she was named by California Law Business as one of the state's top 20 lawyers under 40. Her list of clients included corporations,

universities and Brian Kobilka, a Stanford physiologist who in 2012 won the Nobel Prize in chemistry.

Among her most memorable applications is one she began working on in 1985 and that was finally completed when the patent was issued in 1998. That application, jointly pursued by Stanford and Columbia universities, pertained to recombinant antibodies. Today, it is Stanford's top royalty-generating patent, she noted. What makes her particularly proud is the fact that the royalty dollars go back to the two universities to support more research, she said.

Directing more money to schools is also something she hopes to do if elected to the Assembly. Specifically, she wants to see school districts that currently have fewer resources funded so that they can "level up" to those that are better off. She also would like to bring STEM education to all students in the Bay Area so that, no matter where they live, they would be viable candidates for Silicon Valley jobs.

"Education needs to be a more even opportunity so that what public education you have access to doesn't depend on where you live," she said.

She also said the state can do better when it comes to transportation planning and she thinks decisions about major investments should be done on a regional basis.

The only way to get highways and roads to be less congested is to "promote mass transit in



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better ways," she said. To that effect, she supports current efforts to modernize the Caltrain commuter rail line and to extend BART. But when it comes to high-speed rail, she likes that idea but finds many problems with the way the project is being rolled out.

"I don't support the version of high-speed rail that's underway today," she said. "I think most people support the vision of high-speed rail that was originally put forward, but I don't think the funding has been procured at a sufficient level yet."

At a February forum of the Assembly candidates, Ms. Veenker said she is running to fight for "progressive values": excellent education, affordable housing, improved transportation, gun control, reforms to address campus sexual assault, and economic issues such as equal pay. She is proud of her efforts to promote equality, both in founding the soccer league (which folded in 2012, several years after she left, and

was succeeded by the National Women's Soccer League) and in providing legal services for the underprivileged.

"I believe we can work together to close the opportunity gap and solve the income inequality," she said at the forum. "Because if we want to have a brighter future for any, we have to have a brighter future for all." ■

Cities in District 24

Atherton, Menlo Park, Palo Alto, East Palo Alto, Mountain View, Woodside, Portola Valley, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Sunnyvale, a part of Cupertino and the San Mateo County coastsides — from El Granada to the Santa Cruz County border

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THE CANDIDATES ON THE ISSUES

Candidate	High-Speed Rail	Delta Tunnels	Recreational Marijuana	Top Infrastructure Priorities	How to Spur Affordable Housing	Improving Education	Climate Change
BERMAN	Doesn't trust the California High-Speed Rail Authority; would prefer to focus on regional improvements	Does not support Gov. Brown's current plan for Delta tunnels, which he says does not include enough environmental restoration	Supports legalizing, regulating and taxing marijuana	Fixing roads and bridges, moving toward low- and zero-emission vehicles, increasing access to high-speed broadband and building a smart energy grid	Supports increasing funding for low-income-housing tax credit	State should fully fund preschool education for all low-income 4-year-olds	Reduce consumption of petroleum by 50% by 2030, deploy more sustainability technology and behavioral software to enable conservation, replace fossil-fuel consumption with renewable energy, and constantly set and evaluate progress on reducing GHG emissions
CABRERA	Supports high-speed rail, calling it "a normal thing to have in industrialized first-world country"	Supports having separate plans for human and environmental needs	Supports legalizing marijuana for medical and recreational use in a way that would "support local communities and small businesses"	Repairing roads, bridges and accommodations for autonomous vehicles	Believes in forcing builders to allocate a certain percentage of their projects to affordable housing	College education should be free and guaranteed; computer science should be taught starting in grade school	Allow individuals to represent nature in court; integrate sustainability in design of all products
CHANG	Supports the project, but with modifications. Believes construction should begin in SF and LA and that the trains should run underground on the Peninsula	Opposes Gov. Brown's plan, which he calls "very costly" and "detrimental to the environment"	Against legalization	New public rapid-transit system; water conservation and recycling; Caltrain electrification	Build more housing along major thoroughfares and major employment centers	Allocate more funding for pre-school and kindergarten; encourage parental participation	Encourage people not to drive; build new public rapid-transit systems
INKS	Believes the concept of high-speed rail is "feasible" but does not support the project as it's currently managed	Generally, does not support proposed canals but would seek advice of experts in Delta water matters before forming a more informed assessment	Does not recommend "inhaling combusted plant material of any type" but recommends decriminalization of marijuana "without the bureaucracy and taxation usually associated with legalization"	State roadways, waterways and parks should all be considered. Believes spending priorities should be based on more "market-oriented economics"	Instead of regional mandates for low-income housing, state and local governments should "make the development review-and-approval process less bureaucratic and more focused on increasing housing supply"	Would consider the direction of U.S. Secretary of Education John King, whose record "points to better results as far as academic achievement"	Reduce fossil-fuel consumption, which "leverages resource conservation, air quality and traffic congestion"
KASPERZAK	Supports the project, which he believes will "one day be a critical and integral part of California's transportation system"	No formal position but leaning against the project because of concerns about costs, the transfer of water and "irreparable environmental damage"	Supports legalization, provided it does not endanger children and is compatible with federal laws. Would prefer that the legalization be approved by voters, not Legislature	Road maintenance; rapid mass transit; transportation solutions for "last mile" problem; and more ground-water-storage capacity	Provide financing for local governments for affordable housing; reform building codes; further construction-defect-litigation reform to spur condominium development	Expand childhood education, treat teaching as a "noble and valuable profession" and be unafraid to "make adjustments to our educational programs and learn from the best practices throughout the state and nation"	Continue to decrease greenhouse-gas production and vehicle emissions; dramatically increase amount of available renewable energy; work with local communities to help them implement clean and renewable-energy programs
OHTAKI	Opposes the project. Would prefer to see these funds redirected to help "local commuters"	Prefers other solutions, including small water-recycling plants that could be used for irrigation; encouraging new developments to install "purple pipes;" rely more on recycled water and desalination, when it becomes cost-effective	Not ready to support legalized marijuana for recreational use but is fine with medicinal use	Supports Caltrain electrification and grade separation; creation of Transportation Management Associations; and a mass transit connection, such as shuttles, between Menlo Park's M2 area and a train station.	Supports building housing around transportation corridors, targeting young couples, workers and "empty nesters"; below-market-rate programs that leverage other funding sources	Reform Proposition 30 to allow school districts to build capital reserves to fund new classrooms and school renovations	Encourage mass transit use; green-building standards; and renewable-energy sources. Address sea-level rise by restoring wetlands and rebuilding levees
REDDY	Opposes the project	Supports Brown's plan	Supports medical marijuana: "If people want do it on their own, at home, I'm fine with it"	Top priorities include Caltrain improvements, a stronger power infrastructure and road improvements to relieve congestion	Wants to encourage homeowners with spare rooms to allow others to live in their homes; encourage major employers to build housing developments for their workers	Supports more education funding; more charter schools; and greater parental involvement in education	Supports reducing greenhouse gases through more carpooling, working from home
VEENKER	Does not support current plan because of uncertainty over funding. Opposes use of cap-and-trade funds. The Peninsula segment should be a "seamless transition to Caltrain" or a "blended" system with grade separation at crossings	Does not support Brown's plan. Supports fixing aging water infrastructure, improving efficiency of agricultural use, disincentivizing landscape water use, and reusing greywater for irrigation	Believes legalization of recreational marijuana in state is "inevitable" and says priority should be to "regulate it properly"	Upgrading neglected school facilities; improve aging water infrastructure; and pursue improved transportation systems, including public transit and improved highways	Would like to see incentives, such as a state housing bond and tax breaks, encourage building housing along transit lines, and involve the public in the early stages of development to address concerns so that new projects can enjoy community support rather than opposition	Believes in more investment in education from early childhood to higher education. Supports extending Proposition 30 and ensuring "high-quality STEM education" in state colleges and universities	Supports legislation that requires reductions in petroleum use and greenhouse-gas emissions (including SB350); and extending California's cap-and-trade system

Strong fundraising by Berman, Veenker in state Assembly race

By Gennady Sheyner

Palo Alto Weekly

Palo Alto Councilman Marc Berman raised \$104,481 in the latest reporting period for his bid to succeed Rich Gordon in the state Assembly, more than any of his seven competitors, campaign-finance documents show.

The disclosures, which cover the period between Jan. 1 and April 23, also show a strong fundraising drive by attorney Vicki

Veenker, who received \$100,812 in contributions. The strong numbers coincide with recent endorsements she has received from California's teachers and nurses unions.

Cupertino Mayor Barry Chang, who held the fundraising lead earlier this year, received only \$32,638 in the latest period — much of it in large checks from outside the district. His campaign still has more than \$290,000 in cash on hand, according to his latest filing. Yet

because he used some of his campaign funds to repay a loan, he actually ended the period \$7,362 in the hole.

Mountain View Councilman Mike Kasperzak, meanwhile, raised \$34,219 in the last period but remains well behind the other three Democratic front-runners in total cash raised.

The other four candidates have far smaller campaign chests. Menlo Park Councilman Peter Ohtaki, the lone Republican in the race, raised \$22,495, while

Mountain View Councilman John Inks, the lone Libertarian, \$14,670, respectively (this includes a \$10,000 loan Mr. Inks gave to his campaign). The two have only recently entered the race to replace Mr. Gordon.

Two other candidates — Seelam Reddy and Jay Cabrera — are running low-budget, grassroots campaigns and have not filed papers with the Secretary of State.

According to his finance statement, many of Mr. Berman's

contributors have come from labor groups, developers, Realtors, attorneys, business professionals and public officials. This includes \$8,500 from the California Association of Realtors; \$7,500 from the Northern California Carpenters Regional Council SCC; \$4,200 from the Laborers Local Union 270; and \$4,250 from the California State Council of Laborers PAC.

Mr. Berman also received \$4,200 from the San Francisco

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as the “over seeded” clover lawn at Portola Valley Town Center.

In her opinion, artificial turf is not an option. Six lawn substitutes she does recommend are ground covers: *Achillea millefolium* (yarrow), *Carex praegracilis* (field sedge), native *Leymus triticoides* (creeping wild rye), *Dymondia margaretae* (silver carpet), *Fragaria vesca* (wild strawberry) and *Thymus vulgaris* “Elfin” (thyme).

When it comes to watering a yard, Ms. Berstler says, using the natural resource of rain is often overlooked. It just takes some site planning, she says, to create spaces designed to trap, slow and spread rainwater to get it back into the ground rather than running off into the streets.

She estimates 1 inch of rain falling on a roof measuring 1,000 square feet can generate about 600 gallons of water. A rain barrel might store 50 gallons. Redirecting downspouts, contouring landscaping, planting trees, and using permeable surfaces — such as driveways with strips cut into them or pavers with gaps — can trap water in swales and pockets long enough so it sinks in to benefit the yard.

Ms. Berstler says many homeowners put twice as much water on their lawns than they need to, and often forget to group plants according to their watering needs.

She admits it may take a pro to fix telltale signs of “poor irrigation practices” such as water damage, broken sprinkler heads, or leaks, but that there are a lot of products on the market to help manage water-wise gardening. They range from moisture sensors, to weather stations, smart irrigation controllers, low-flow valves, rotating spray nozzles and drip irrigation systems.

Two landscape experts who attended Ms. Berstler’s talk and workshop said they plan to implement some of the ideas.

Nancy Shanahan of Sycamore Design of Woodside finds the watershed approach interesting and plans to incorporate grading in the sheet-mulching project she is doing for a client.

Janet Bell with Garden Sense in Menlo Park says she sees “a lot of value” in practicing water-saving strategies and has been doing it for awhile.

Calwater.com/conservation has a list of resources on rebates, programs and tips. ▀

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Laborer’s Local 261; and \$4,200 from the Palo Alto Professional Firefighters.

Steven Westly, managing partner of the Westly Group, donated \$2,000 to Mr. Berman’s campaign. Palo Alto developers John McNellis and Chop Keenan contributed \$2,100 and \$500, respectively, to his campaign, which is also being supported by dozens of local environmentalists, commissioners and community volunteers, according to his campaign statement.

Ms. Veenker’s campaign was bolstered by recent endorsements and contributions from California’s teachers and nurses unions. This includes \$8,500 contributions from the California Teachers Association/Association for Better Citizenship and from the California Nurses Association Political Action Committee.

She also received \$4,200 contributions from Castilleja teacher Julian Cortella and Palo Alto resident John Rohrer; \$2,000 checks from Stanford University professor Leonore

Herzenberg and from Menlo Park resident Karen Grove; and a \$1,000 contribution from the Teamsters union.

Mr. Chang, who led the field in January, saw his overall balance wane in the latest reporting period. Most of his contributions came in the form of large checks from corporations based outside the Assembly district. Union City-based Marina Food LLC contributed \$8,400, with \$4,200 pegged for the primary campaign and another \$4,200 allocated for the general election, according to his campaign statement. Helix Electric, based in San Diego, similarly gave \$8,400, split between the two elections, as has Welkin International Industrial Inc., based in Saratoga.

Mr. Kasperzak reported \$34,169 in contributions in the last period, much of it coming in smaller checks from individuals inside the district. Among his top contributors are Menlo Park resident Patricia Spieker Hopman, Atherton resident Catherine Spieker, and Portola Valley resident Margaret Thomas, who each gave him \$4,200 for the primary challenge.

Allison Aldrich, an executive at GoDaddy.com, contributed \$1,000 to his campaign. Virginia Bryant, Mike Kroll, Andrew Hudacek, Robert Wagner and Todd Regonini, all of Sares Regis Group, contributed \$1,000 each to Kasperzak’s campaign. Tod Spieker, president of Spieker Companies, contributed \$2,100.

Mr. Kasperzak’s Mountain View council colleague John Inks reported raising \$14,670 in the period between Jan. 1 and April 23, including \$4,670 in contributions and a \$10,000 loan. His biggest contributors include Woodland resident Chris Rufer, (who donated \$990), Mountain View resident Donald Bahl (\$900), and Palo Alto resident Tod Spieker (\$950).

Mr. Ohtaki did slightly better, reporting \$17,495 in contributions (along with a \$5,000 loan) in the latest period. About half of his cash raised came from two contributors: Charles Munger and William Regan, each of whom contributed \$4,200 to the race’s lone Republican. He also received \$1,000 from Grace Todd of Montague, Michigan, for the primary battle, according to his campaign statement.

The eight candidates are competing in the June 7 primary, with the two top vote-getters moving on to the November ballot. ▀

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Networking: Generating business through referrals

By **Kate Bradshaw**
Almanac Staff Writer

■ BUSINESS

Every Wednesday morning at 7 a.m., about 35 people who live or do business in Menlo Park meet for breakfast and networking at Menlo College. They are members of a local chapter of BNI, which stands for Business Network International.

There are eight chapters in San Mateo County and 15 in San Francisco County. Internationally, the organization boasts 190,000 members in 7,300 chapters and \$8.6 billion in business generated via referrals.

This reporter sat in on one of their meetings in El Camino Hall at the college to find out why so many people would wake up so early to listen to other people talk about their businesses, week after week.

The answer is that it appears to pay off. Members of the Menlo Park group have generated referrals for each other that the members estimate are worth \$3.7 million in the last 12 months and \$14 million since the group started in January 2011.

The idea of the group is to gather people from a diverse range of industries, have them get to know each other's businesses, and generate clients and referrals for each other.

There's only one person per professional specialty, so there's no competition for service referrals. Members have to pay membership fees, about \$445 per year, and must adhere to attendance requirements.

They are also encouraged to

visit other members for one-on-one meetings to better familiarize themselves with each other's businesses.

The group was founded by Jan Gabus, a Menlo Park dentist, about five years ago, he said. It was "a slow time in the valley," he said, and he was looking to "stimulate the flow of new patients" through his doors.

The chapter began with a group of five to 10 people, one of whom was the father of current group member Laura Martin Miri, who works at Martin Wealth Management in Menlo Park with her brother, John Martin.

During the recession, Judy Horst saw her colleagues in the group, especially those who work in home improvement or real estate businesses (and call themselves "the homies"), having a hard time.

"(It's) hard to weather some of the ups and downs of the economy," said Ms. Horst, who runs a marketing business and has been involved with the group for about four years. Coming out of the recession, she said, many members benefited from being in the group. "It's a real lifeline," she said.

A lot of local small business people would join, she said, if they knew the benefits of the group and how it creates a kind of sales force for their business.

Through her involvement with the group, she's learned useful details about other industries — why it's important to work with licensed contractors, for instance — that she can then pass along to other people she encounters. Plus,

she said, if you don't like someone in the group, or their work, you don't have to refer them.

A typical meeting

After serving themselves breakfast, each member gives a 30-second pitch about her or his business. Usually two people have the floor to give a more in-depth presentation, such as a discussion about their industry and a brief business lesson.

Then, each member reports on the referrals or one-on-one visits

he or she has made over the last week. People fill out small paper slips that contain the estimated in-kind value of the referral.

For instance, if Joan Slaughterbeck of Slaughterbeck Floors had a client with termite-eaten floors, she might have recommended the services of Mike Judas of Franz Termite Control, and would have filled out one of the slips. The slips are gathered into a basket and at the end of the meeting, they become entries into a weekly door prize drawing. The estimated

value of the services are then tallied and count toward the group's monetary goals for collective referrals made.

The group is looking for new members who work as accountants, massage therapists, business lenders, chiropractors or phone technicians.

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Menlo Park dentist Jan Gabus, left, has received the first annual "Bill Martin Givers Gain" award for his leadership and contributions to the Business Networking International's Constant Growth chapter during 2015. The award was presented by Dan Ziony, outgoing president of BNI Constant Growth, and commemorates Bill Martin of Martin Wealth Management in Menlo Park, who died last year. BNI Constant Growth meets every Wednesday from 7 to 8:30 a.m. at Menlo College. Visitors are welcome.

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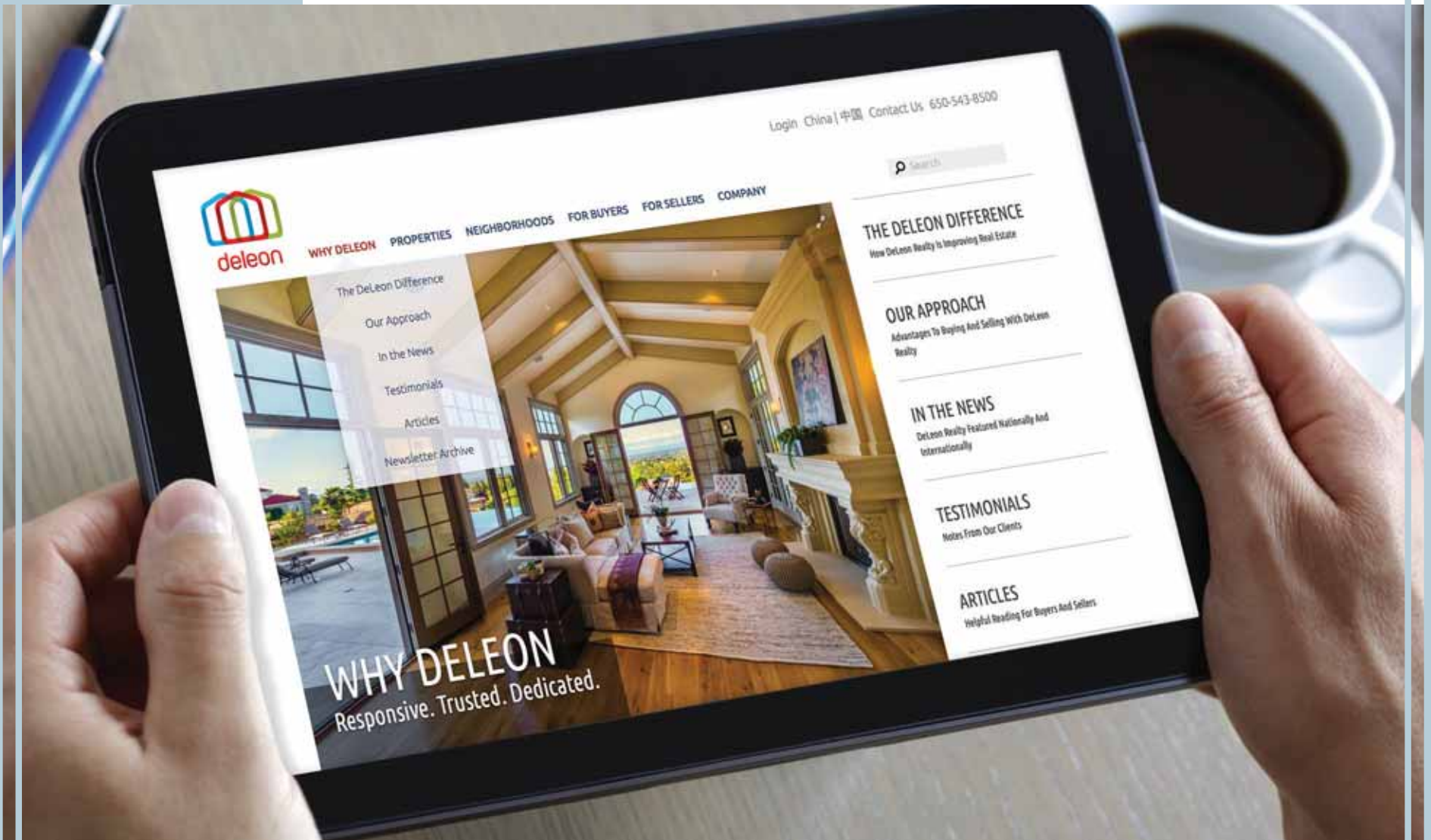
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M-A's Crowe leads a parade of school track records

By Keith Peters
Palo Alto Weekly

Before she is done, Menlo-Atherton senior Annalisa Crowe should be considered the top middle-distance runner in school history. The record book will prove that out.

Crowe broke a pair of school records on April 23 as she clocked 5:02.40 to win the mile at the annual St. Francis Invitational in Mountain View.

The time broke the mile mark

of 5:02.5 by Laurie Andeen in 1987. When converted to the 1,600, Crowe's time of 5:00.65 surpassed Andeen's 5:02.6 mark in the same season.

The oldest school record remaining is also within Crowe's reach. That would be the 2:11.48 by Norah Williams in 1983. Crowe ranks No. 2 with a 2:12.17 from 2014 and ran 2:12.37 on April 21 in a dual meet.

Crowe's day at St. Francis also included anchoring the Bears' distance medley relay to second

place in 12:38.69.

The second school record of the day came in the girls' 800 sprint medley relay. The team of Logan Maines, Kathryn Mohr, Maggie Hall and Olivia Shane clocked 1:52.24 while finishing second.

Hall, who ran 58.04 in the 400 on April 21 to move to 5th all-time at M-A, finished third in the 100 (12.45) at St. Francis and ran legs on the third-place 400 relay (49.57, fifth in school history) and a leg on the fifth-place

1,600 relay that was anchored by Crowe.

Elsewhere for the M-A girls, Mohr was third in the pole vault (11-3), which was won by Stanford-bound Erika Malaspina at 12-9. Cat DePuy was second in the 3,000 in 10:50.93, a 20-second improvement on her personal best. The race was won by Natalie Novitsky of Sacred Heart Prep in 10:38.91. Gunn's Illi Gardner was third in 10:58.07.

Emma Sternfield of Paly was

second in the high jump at 5-0 and third in the 100 hurdles in 16.26.

In the boys' competition, Jordan Mims of M-A won the 400 in 49.77 and ran a leg on the sprint medley relay team that won in a school record of 1:36.11 with the team of Marquise Reid, Terrance Matthews-Murphy and Jack Gray. M-A finished third in the team scoring with 37 points.

Palo Alto junior Kent Slaney was second in the 800 in 1:58.61. ▀

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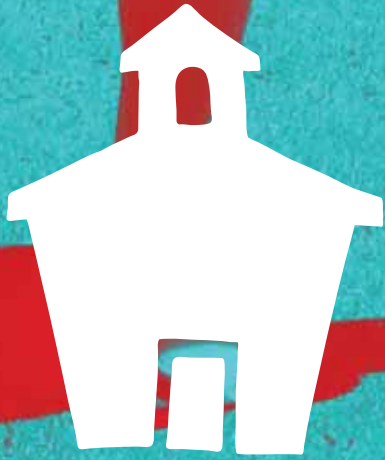
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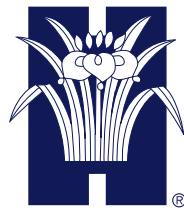
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Dine Out: Benefiting Meals on Wheels On May 17, many local restaurants donate percentage of day's meal sales to Peninsula Volunteers Inc.'s Meals on Wheels, which helps to feed homebound seniors. Visit website for participating restaurants. May 17. www.penvol.org/dineout/index.cfm

Filoli Flower Show "California Then and Now 1916-2016." Visit website for details. May 5, 5:30-8 p.m.; May 6 and 7, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; May 8, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Filoli, 86 Cañada Road, Woodside. filoli.org/flower-show/

Creating Bee-Friendly Garden May 5, 7 p.m. Free. Redwood City Public Library, Downtown Library, 1044 Middlefield Road, Redwood City. www.cnps-scv.org

Theater

'An Afternoon With 'Ty Cobb' Norm Coleman performs one-man show impersonating baseball great Ty Cobb. Hot dogs, popcorn and Crackers Jacks. May 10, 1:30 p.m. Free. Little House Activity Center, 800 Middle Ave., Menlo Park. www.penvol.org/littlehouse

Menlo School: 'A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum' Outdoor production of Stephen Sondheim musical. Appropriate for all ages. May 6, 7, 8, 12 and 13, 8 p.m. \$5-\$10. Menlo School, Outdoor Stage on the Quad, 50 Valparaiso Ave., Atherton. www.menloschool.org/arts/drama.php

Palo Alto Players: 'Into The Woods' Musical by Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine. May 5, 7:30 p.m.; May 6 and 7, 8 p.m.; May 8, 2 p.m. \$35-\$49. Lucie Stern Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. www.paplayers.org

'The Republican Party in Pieces: A Comedy (in Fragments)' Stanford Classics in Theater stages play set at Republican National Convention that combines scraps of ancient Greek tragedy with modern political sound bites. Audience chooses candidate best suited to make America great again. Some language inappropriate for children. May 13-14, 8 p.m. \$5. Elliott Program Center, 589 Governor's Ave., Stanford. scit.stanford.edu

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West Bay Opera: "Madama Butterfly" free preview with piano One-hour event with cast members and piano accompaniment. May 12, 8 p.m. Free. Lucie Stern Ballroom, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto. www.westbayopera.org

Wu Han-Setzer-Finckel Trio Emerson Quartet violinist Philip Setzer joins David Finckel (cello) and Wu Han (piano), Music@Menlo's artistic directors, in performing piano trios by Haydn, Mendelssohn and Brahms. May 8, 6 p.m. \$20-\$52. Menlo-Atherton High School, Performing Arts Center, 555 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. musicatmenlo.org

Talks & Authors

Public Forum: Candidates for 24th Assembly District League of Women Voters forum. May 10 at 7 p.m. Free. Mountain View Public Library, 585 Franklin St., Mountain View. mountainview.gov/librarycalendar

'Human Trafficking Happening Here' Betty Ann Hagenau, executive director of Bay Area

Anti-Trafficking Coalition, discusses modern-day slavery and how to identify human trafficking in daily life. May 4, 7 p.m. Free. Woodside Road United Methodist Church, 2000 Woodside Road, Redwood City. [smcdfa.org/calendar](http://www.smcdfa.org/calendar)

Tuolumne River Film and Culture Fest with theme of "A river lost, a river saved, and the battles yet to come." Featured guest: Mark Dubois, who chained himself to boulder in effort to save Stanislaus River. May 9, 6:30 p.m. \$8-\$12. Menlo-Atherton High School, Performing Arts Center, 555 Middlefield Road, Atherton. www.tuolumne.org

Woodside Arts & Culture Committee: 'Story Telling' Author Kristin Delaplaine and biographer Duffy Jennings on how to write memoirs, record oral histories and present genealogy as exciting story. May 6, 7 p.m. Free. Woodside Independence Hall, 2955 Woodside Road, Woodside. woodsidesidtown.org/artsandculture/arts-culture-committee-events

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Family Fun Day at Ronald McDonald House at Stanford Petting zoo from Jasper Ridge Farms, face painting, Kids Spa, arts and crafts, magic show. May 7, 2 p.m. Free. Ronald McDonald House at Stanford, 510 Sand Hill Road, Palo Alto. www.ronaldhouse.net/news/events.php

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS

ARTICLE 1 INVITATION TO BID

1.01 Notice Inviting Bids: Owner will receive sealed Bids at the **Town Hall**, located at 2955 Woodside Road, Woodside, California 94062 until **2:00 P.M. on Thursday, May 26th, 2016** for the following public work:

TOWN OF WOODSIDE
2016 Storm Drain Improvement Project
Various Locations in the Town of Woodside, CA

1.02 Project Description: The work will include the furnishing of all labor, materials, equipment and services necessary or required to rehabilitate storm drains with cured in place pipe (CIPP), grout headwalls, install new inlets, remove and install new storm drain, install new headwalls, and place rock rip rap. All work shall be completed within 90 calendar days from Notice to Proceed.

1.03 Procurement of Bidding Documents: Bidding Documents contain the full description of the Work. Bidders may examine a complete hard-copy set of the Bidding Documents at the Town's Public Works Department, located at 2955 Woodside Road, Woodside, California 94062. Bidders may download a complete set of Bidding Documents at <http://www.woodsidetown.org/rfps> at no cost. Bidder is responsible for printing any and all of Bidding Documents.

1.04 Instructions: Bidders shall refer to Document 00 2113 (Instructions to Bidders) for required documents and items to be submitted in a sealed envelope for deposit into the Bid Box in the Town Clerk's Office, located at 2955 Woodside Road, Woodside, California 94062 no later than the time and date set forth in Paragraph 1.01 above.

1.05 N/A

1.06 Bid Preparation Cost: Bidders are solely responsible for the cost of preparing their Bids.

1.07 Reservation of Rights: Owner specifically reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any or all Bids, to re-bid, or to waive inconsequential defects in bidding not involving time, price or quality of the work. Owner may reject any and all Bids and waive any minor irregularities in the Bids.

ARTICLE 2 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

2.01 Required Contractor's License(s): A California "A" contractor's license is required to bid this contract. Joint ventures must secure a joint venture license prior to award of this Contract.

2.02 Required Contractor and Subcontractor Registration

2.2.A. Owner shall accept Bids only from Bidders that (along with all Subcontractors listed in Document 00 4330, Subcontractor List) are currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5.

2.2.B. Subject to Labor Code Sections 1771.1(c) and (d), any Bid not complying with paragraph above shall be returned and not considered; provided that if Bidder is a joint venture (Business & Professions Code Section 7029.1) or if federal funds are involved in the Contract (Labor Code Section 1771.1(a)), Owner may accept a non-complying Bid provided that Bidder and all listed Subcontractors are registered at the time of Contract award.

2.03 Bid Alternates:

A. Bid alternates are identified as follows:

A.1. Alternate 1:

Alternate 1A - 140 Farm: Grout Invert of 15-inch CMP

Alternate 1B - 140 Farm: CIPP Rehabilitate Existing 15-inch CMP

A.2. Alternate 2 - 15 Hidden Valley: Remove 15-inch CMP and replace with 15-inch HDPE (open cut)

A.3. Alternate 3:

Alternate 3A - 475 Mountain Home: CIPP Rehabilitate Existing 24-inch CMP

Alternate 3B - 475 Mountain Home: Trim PVC and Reinstall Storm Drain connection

Alternate 3C - 475 Mountain Home: Outlet Structure Modifications

A.4 Alternate 4:

Alternate 4A - 418 Albion: Remove 12-inch CMP and replace w/ 15-inch HDPE (open cut)

Alternate 4B - 418 Albion: Pave Drainage Channel

A.5. Alternate 5:

Alternate 5A - 133 Marva Oaks: Remove 12-inch CMP and replace w/ 12-inch HDPE (open cut)

Alternate 5B - 133 Marva Oaks: Replace Catch Basin

A.6. Alternate 6 - 461 Eleanor: CIPP Rehabilitate Existing 24-inch CMP - Segment C

B. The determination of lowest bid shall be based upon:

B.1. Base contract bid plus those alternates specifically identified above as being used for the purpose of determining lowest bid.

2.04 N/A

2.05 Substitution of Securities: Owner will permit the successful bidder to substitute securities for any retention monies withheld to ensure performance of the contract, as set forth in Document 00 6290 Escrow Agreement For Security Deposits In Lieu Of Retention and incorporated herein in full by this reference, in accordance with Section 22300 of the California Public Contract Code.

2.06 Prevailing Wage Laws: The successful Bidder must comply with all prevailing wage laws applicable to the Project, and related requirements contained in the Contract Documents. Copies of the general prevailing rates of per diem wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the Contract, as determined by Director of the State of California Department of Industrial Relations, are on file at the Town's Public Works Department, may be obtained from the California Department of Industrial Relations website [<http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/DPreWageDetermination.html>] and are deemed included in the Bidding Documents. Upon request, Owner will make available copies to any interested party. Also, the successful Bidder shall post the applicable prevailing wage rates at the Site.

2.07 Prevailing Wage Monitoring: This Project is subject to prevailing wage compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

END OF DOCUMENT

POLICE CALLS

This information is based on reports from the Menlo Park and Atherton police departments and the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office. Under the law, people charged with offenses are considered innocent unless convicted. Police received the reports on the dates shown.

ATHERTON

Thefts:

■ Police arrested and cited an Atherton man on suspicion of charges that he stole marijuana intended for medicinal purposes at an address on Tuscaloosa Avenue. Estimated loss: \$383. April 19.

■ Someone entered an unlocked classroom at Laurel School on Edge Road and stole a black purse and its contents from a supply cabinet. No estimate on losses. April 18.

WOODSIDE

Drug paraphernalia: Deputies found someone slumped over in the driver's seat while parked near Sand Hill Road and Lawler Ranch Road. The deputy issued a citation after noticing a glass pipe with a white residue in it while talking with the driver. April 18.

Theft: A resident of Manzanita Way told deputies that someone stole money overnight from his unlocked vehicle. Estimated loss: \$82. April 23.

MENLO PARK

Commercial burglaries:

■ A burglar broke the lock on the front door of Opus Hair Salon at 605 Cambridge Ave., entered and stole five sets of scissors, two electric razors and \$90 in cash. Estimated loss: \$2,450. April 28.

■ Someone broke the front-door window at Jonathan's Fish & Chips restaurant at 840 Willow Road and stole about \$250 from the cash register. April 24.

Thefts:

■ A man walked around in the CVS Pharmacy at 700 El Camino Real putting merchandise from the cosmetics area in a tote bag, then left the store without paying for the items. Store staff could not determine exactly what was taken, police said. Estimated loss: Between \$500 and \$800. April 26.

■ Police cited and released a Redwood City man for having left Draeger's

Supermarket at 1010 University Drive with food he hadn't paid for. No loss. April 27.

■ Someone stole a bicycle locked to the bike rack in front of the public library on Alma Street. Estimated loss: \$200. April 25.

■ Someone may have stolen a wallet from a woman visiting the Rosewood Sand Hill hotel. The woman told police that she was unsure, that she may have left it in the cab or taken it from her purse between the cab and the hotel entrance. Estimated loss: \$482. April 28.

■ A resident of Almanor Avenue was attempting to sell his bike when the potential buyer, who took the bike for a test ride, rode off with it and did not return. Estimated loss: \$200. April 26.

■ A thief entered an unlocked vehicle parked on Menlo Avenue and stole an electric belt sander. Estimated loss: \$50. April 25.

■ Someone stole the wallet of a woman employed at Facebook. The wallet was later found but with the credit cards missing. April 27.

Traffic accident: A 13-year-old cyclist who was headed west on the wrong side of Valparaiso Avenue crossed the street near Pollitzer Drive and collided with the front bumper of a brown 2007 Toyota Sienna being driven by a 39-year-old woman. The boy's parents picked him up and took him to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries, police said. April 27.

Fraud:

■ A street vendor of ice cream learned from a bank that he had been given a counterfeit \$100 bill by a customer buying ice cream on Ivy Drive. April 25.

■ A resident of San Mateo Drive discovered that someone had used his personal information and the last four digits of his Social Security Card number to obtain a loan. The resident had contacted the company that had been requesting payment to determine what had happened. No loss. April 28.

■ Residents of Sherwood Way did some investigation and learned they had been seeking to rent an apartment via Craigslist from someone who did not actually own the apartment but was engaged in a scam. No loss. April 25.

Alpine corridor meeting May 9

The San Mateo County Public Works Department is hosting a second community meeting on the future of the Alpine Road corridor through Stanford Weekend Acres and Ladera. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. Monday, May 9, at Woodland School, 360 La Cuesta Drive in Ladera.

The road has heavy traffic several times a day and few breaks,

causing residents headaches as they try to enter the road from side streets.

Fixes under consideration include enhanced stop signs and bike lanes, crosswalk treatments, traffic signals and roundabouts.

Contact Hanieh Houshmandi at hhoushmandi@smcgov.org or 599-1481 for more information.

Drive aims to end kids' hunger

Second Harvest Food Bank's Stand Up for Kids campaign is now underway with a goal of raising \$7 million by the end of May. Tech leaders including Sheryl Sandberg, John and Eileen Donahoe, Mike Schroepfer and Eric Hoffman are serving as chairmen of the campaign.

The money will be used with the aim to eliminate hunger for local children

and help expand school food pantries in high need areas.

Since 1974, Second Harvest has been one of the largest food banks in the United States, with nearly a quarter million clients served each month. More than half the food supplied is fresh produce, the organization says.

Go to SHFB.org or call 866-234-3663 for more information.

Viewpoint

IDEAS, THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS ABOUT LOCAL ISSUES

There's still time to improve Greenheart project

By Patti Fry

The long-vacant Cadillac dealership site on El Camino Real is due to be revitalized. The location is central to Menlo Park and adjacent to downtown. Most residents would like to see the blight replaced by a great project, but Greenheart Land Company's "Station 1300" falls far short of that ideal.

The proposed project, while attractive, significantly worsens Menlo Park's traffic congestion and housing shortage. It is located on nearly 6.5 acres near the train station and downtown, on the stretch of El Camino Real that already has the worst downtown traffic jams.

Any development there will worsen traffic, but the proposed project would have substantially more negative impacts than viable alternatives.

The project's recently published draft environmental impact report (DEIR) tells us that the project, as currently configured, would significantly worsen rush-hour traffic at 11 already-congested intersections and roadways from El Camino to Bayfront Expressway. It



Patti Fry, a longtime resident of Menlo Park, is a former member of the city's Planning Commission

also tells us that there are no feasible measures available to fully alleviate those impacts. These additional adverse impacts were not anticipated when the downtown specific plan was adopted.

The DEIR explains that a housing-intensive project would have far fewer traffic impacts than an office-intensive project, and would be appropriate for a location near the train station area and downtown. But instead of providing as many as the 322 housing units that are allowed within the downtown plan's limits, the project offers only 181 new homes to balance the 700 to 1,000 new workers in this office-intensive project.

A good mix of restaurant, retail, and personal services would contribute to

downtown vibrancy and help the tenants of the project avoid automobile use, but the developer designed only 4 percent of the project as "community serving space." The wording of the Greenheart proposal is so vague that this space could be used for restaurants or retail — or could be rented for business-oriented services that don't serve residents.

We learned from the city's consultants that a housing-intensive project has fewer negative impacts than an office-intensive project. We also found out that the developer's potential return on investment is at least three times the current market range. There is ample room for our City Council to negotiate a project that is much better for Menlo Park and its residents.

Now is the time to get the project right. This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity. The project is still in its conceptual design phase, when plan modifications can be easily made.

The ingredients for a better — and great — project exist. Residents should insist on it.

LETTERS

Our readers write

Keep those noise complaints coming

Editor:

Thanks to the excellent article by Walter Sleeth (Almanac guest opinion, April 6), I was motivated to complain about being awakened at 12:30 a.m. and again at 2 a.m. by low-flying large aircraft over my home in Portola Valley Ranch yesterday.

Let's keep complaining by reporting noise problems to the new website: stop.jetnoise.net.

Marilyn Walter
Coyote Hill, Portola Valley

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS TOWN OF ATHERTON, CA

The Town of Atherton will accept bids for construction of the following public work:

2016 OVERLAY PROJECT

Removal and replacement of 2 inches of asphalt concrete pavement on Almendral Avenue (from El Camino Real to Selby Lane). Cracking sealing and grind and replace approximately 4,000 square feet of asphalt to a 4-inch depth and placement of thermoplastic striping. Some hand work around utility access hole covers will be necessary.

Plans & Specifications may be obtained at <http://www.ci.atherton.ca.us/bids.aspx> at no cost. The Contractor shall be responsible for any addendums that may be posted on the Town's website.

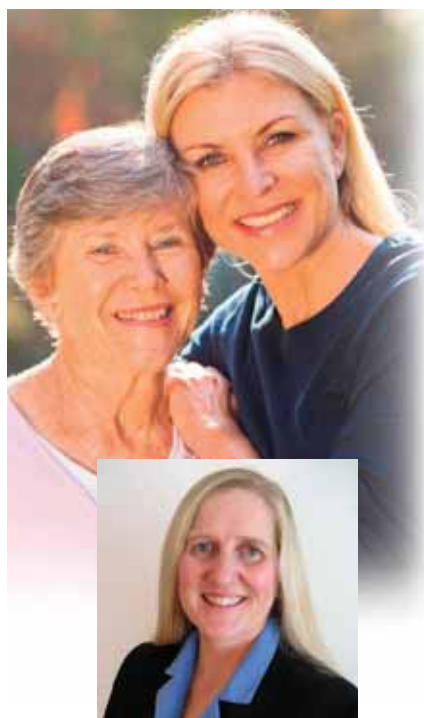
SEALED BIDS will be received at the office of the City Clerk, 91 Ashfield Road, Atherton, California 94027, **until 2:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Tuesday, May 24, 2016**, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

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Women's Retreat - May 7

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995 Fictitious Name Statement

JASPER ADVENTURES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 268892

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Jasper Adventures, located at 1529 Seaport Blvd., Redwood City, CA 94063, San Mateo County; Mailing address: 206 Thomson Avenue, Mountain View, CA 94043.

Registered owner(s):
CHERYL JASPER
206 Thomson Avenue
Mountain View, CA 94043

GLENN ALGIE
206 Thompson Avenue
Mountain View, CA 94043
This business is conducted by: Married Couple.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/20/2010. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on April 13, 2016.
(ALM Apr. 20, 27, May 4, 11, 2016)

WESTBOUND COURIER
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 268898

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Westbound Courier, located at 361 Hazel Avenue, San Bruno, CA 94066, San Mateo County; Mailing address: P.O. Box 1072, San Bruno, CA 94066.

Registered owner(s):
SERAFIN MOLINA
361 Hazel Avenue
San Bruno, CA 94066

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 April 13, 2016.
(ALM Apr. 20, 27, May 4, 11, 2016)

ERICA'S ECO CLEANING
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 268907

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Erica's Eco Cleaning, located at 2145 Capitol Ave., E. Palo Alto, CA 94303, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
ERICA MENDOZA
2145 Capitol 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 April 14, 2016.
(ALM Apr. 20, 27, May 4, 11, 2016)

FUENTES CONSTRUCTION
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 268843

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Fuentes Construction, located at 812 10th Ave., Redwood City, CA 94063, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
JOSE FUENTES
812 10th Ave.
Redwood City, CA 94063
MAYRA E. FUENTES
812 10th Ave.
Redwood City, CA 94063

This business is conducted by: Married Couple.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11-1995. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on April 8, 2016.
(ALM Apr. 20, 27, May 4, 11, 2016)

CONHAIR
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 269035

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Conhair, located at 859 Oak Grove Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
CONNIE JEAN COOK
795 Roble Ave. #8
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 3-31-09. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on April 21, 2016.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 268958

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Registered owner(s):
VADIS LLC
889 Balboa Ln.
Foster City, CA 94404
California

This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/20/2010. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on April 19, 2016.
(ALM Apr. 27, May 4, 11, 18, 2016)

OKP-OUR KIDS PLAY
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 269078

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
OKP-Our Kids Play, located at 61 Cove Lane, Redwood City, CA 94065, San Mateo County.

Registered owner(s):
VINCENT SMITH
61 Cove Lane
Redwood City, CA 94065

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 April 26, 2016.
(ALM May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2016)

GORILLA BARBEQUE, LLC
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 268980

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Gorilla Barbeque, LLC, located at 2145 Coast Highway 1, Pacifica, CA 94044, San Mateo County.

Registered owner(s):
GORILLA BARBEQUE, LLC
2145 Coast Highway 1
Pacifica, CA 94044
California

This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 8/24/2006. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on April 20, 2016.
(ALM May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2016)

LALO PLUMBING
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 268911

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Lalo Plumbing, located at 660 Bell St., East Palo Alto, CA 94303, San Mateo County.

Registered owner(s):
EVERARDO GOMEZ
660 Bell St.
EPA, 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 April 14, 2016.
(ALM May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2016)

997 All Other Legals

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

GLENDA GALE REGO
Case No.: 126851

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GLENDA GALE REGO. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: ROBERT REGO in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN MATEO. The Petition for Probate requests that: ROBERT REGO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held

on May 11, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in Room: 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: Kenneth H. Prochnow
2600 El Camino Real, Suite 412
Palo Alto, CA 94306-1719
(650)812-0400
(ALM Apr. 20, 27, May 4, 2016)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

YVONNE L. NELSON

Case No.: 125782

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of YVONNE L. NELSON. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: MICHAEL RENE NELSON in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN MATEO.

The Petition for Probate requests that: MICHAEL RENE NELSON 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 May 10, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept.: 28, Room: 2F 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.

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Kenneth H. Prochnow

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(ALM Apr. 20, 27, May 4, 2016)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

RICHARD P. VON HERZEN

Case No.: 126882

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of RICHARD P. VON HERZEN.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: LANE MacWILLIAMS in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN MATEO.

The Petition for Probate requests that: LANE MacWILLIAMS 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 May 17, 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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(ALM Apr. 20, 27, May 4, 2016)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

Case No.: CIV537712

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: KATHERINE JIA-YAN JIA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
KATHERINE JIA-YAN JIA to KATHERINE JIA-YAN LIU.

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. June 3, 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: April 14, 2016
/s/ John L. Grandsaert
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
(ALM Apr. 27, May 4, 11, 18, 2016)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

Case No.: CIV538162

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: KARA SYKORA filed a petition with this court

for a decree changing names as follows:
KARA SYKORA to KARA PHONGPHAYCHIT SYKORA.

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: June 2, 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
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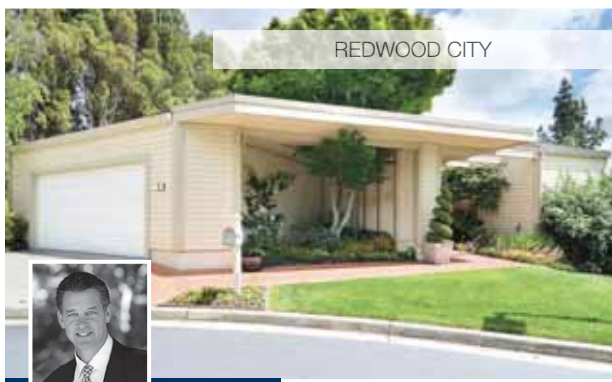


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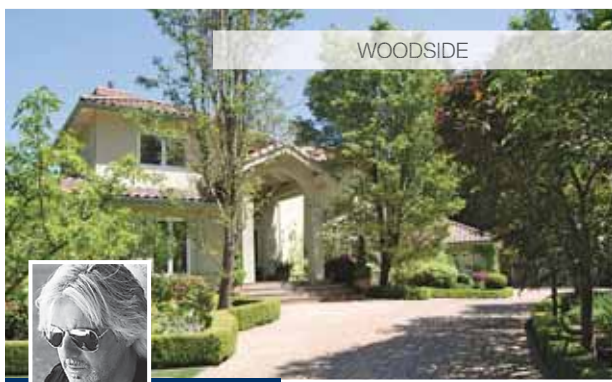


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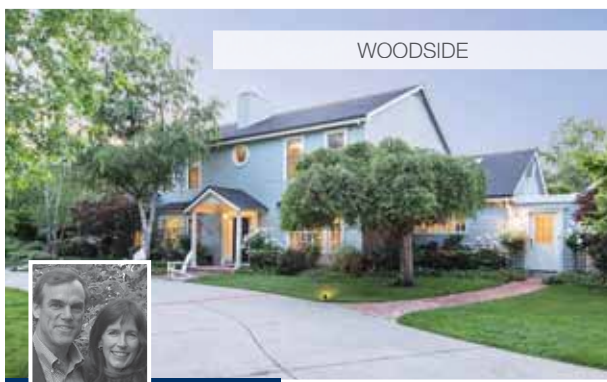


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