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Menlo Park puts brakes on library rebuild

By Kate Bradshaw
Almanac Staff Writer

After a scramble over the last month to look into how the city should move forward with a multi-million-dollar offer by developer and philanthropist John Arrillaga to help rebuild the Menlo Park main library, the City Council has agreed to take a breather before making any more big decisions on the library proposal.

The council decided Aug. 22 to put members Rich Cline and Kirsten Keith on a subcommittee to meet with Mr. Arrillaga and discuss more fully the details of his offer. Council members also reached a consensus that if the matter is brought to voters in the form of a bond measure, funds for both a new main library and a Belle Haven library should be requested.

At its previous meeting on July 18, the council voted 4-0, with Councilman Ray Mueller absent, to endorse the acceptance of a surprise offer by Mr. Arrillaga to help rebuild the main library — a gift of potentially tens of millions of dollars — on the condition that the project be done as quickly as possible.

The new library is expected to be 48,000 square feet, have underground parking and cost about \$55 million, according to the latest staff report.

Funding question

According to Nick Pegueros, the city's chief financial officer, there's now an understanding that Menlo Park would not only be responsible for fronting the first \$20 million for the rebuild, but also the project's soft costs, including planning fees, professional services fees and utility improvements — estimated at \$10 million. (Mr. Arrillaga would pay for all other project costs, according to the city.)

Finding that much money on an "expedited" time frame — as quickly as possible — means the city would likely have to draw from its reserves or go into debt with a bond issue, he said.

Councilman Rich Cline pointed out that when the city worked with Mr. Arrillaga, on the civic center's recreation, gymnastics and gymnasium buildings, the city already had funds from the 2001 Measure T, a \$38 million bond measure

to renovate and expand the city's parks and recreation facilities.

"Will he give us time to build ourselves so we can actually do this the right way?" Mr. Cline asked City Manager Alex McIntyre, wondering whether the city will have time to develop a plan for a new library system.

Mr. McIntyre, who has discussed the offer with Mr. Arrillaga, responded, "I'm not convinced he would." Then he paused and added, "But I don't want to put words in his mouth because that's

One speaker compared the offer to a half-price facelift when one's kidney needs replacing.



Photo by Michelle Le | June 9, 2016

Rebuilding the main library might cost the city \$30 million, even with a substantial gift from developer and philanthropist John Arrillaga.

unfair for me to say."

Councilman Ray Mueller told the council he didn't think the city should accept such a high amount of debt without taking the matter to voters first.

"I firmly believe we need to ask the taxpayer to approve a debt obligation of this size before we implicitly commit the taxpayer to pay for it," he said. "I also am concerned if this council takes on this debt obligation for this one project, without asking the taxpayer first, it won't just delay or re-prioritize other projects, it will make them fiscally infeasible because the taxpayer will not be willing to approve further

expenditures."

If the matter is brought to voters, council members agreed unanimously, the bond measure should include funding to rebuild both the main and Belle Haven libraries.

"Absolutely, it should be done together," said Councilwoman Catherine Carlton.

Councilman Peter Ohtaki pointed to current low interest rates. "If there's any time to raise debt financing, this is the time to do it," he said.

It would be possible to put such a bond measure before voters as soon as next March or June, according to City Attorney Bill McClure.

Staff presented preliminary timelines for both libraries, with completion of the main library in early 2021 and the Belle Haven library in early 2024. That assumes that funding is available for the Belle Haven library, though, noted Chip Taylor, assistant city manager.

Community response

The council received about 30 emails on the topic, with about two-thirds opposing steps to move forward with Mr. Arrillaga's offer. Thirteen people made comments at the meeting.

The argument that the city has

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Arguments filed for and against Atherton parcel tax measure

By Barbara Wood
Almanac Staff Writer

Ballot arguments for and against the renewal of Atherton's parcel tax, which will be on the Nov. 7 ballot as Measure F, have been submitted.

All five Atherton City Council members signed the argument in favor of the measure while the argument against it was signed by three former town committee and commission members: Jim Massey, Charles Ramorino and Sandy Crittenden.

The tax, which varies by parcel size and whether or not the parcel is developed, has been in effect since 1978.

The tax costs most Atherton homeowners — those with a home on a parcel of between a half and two acres — \$750 a year, and brings the town annual revenues of \$1.86 million. The annual tax is as low as \$225 for unimproved parcels between a quarter and half acre, and it is as high as \$10,000 for a private club.

Tax proceeds can only be spent on the town's police services and on its roads and

drainage system. The current parcel tax expires in mid-2018, and the proposed tax will expire June 30, 2021. Passage requires the approval of at least two-thirds of those voting.

Opponents of the tax measure argue that the tax is obsolete because the value of homes in Atherton, and hence the town's property tax revenues, have increased vastly since the tax was originally approved. "The historical reason for assessing a parcel tax no longer exists," the argument says. "Like the rest of us, (the town) should live within its means."

"As taxpayers, we can agree that we already pay too much in taxes," the argument says. "Let's agree to finally end the parcel tax."

Proponents of Measure F argue that the tax, which produces 13 percent of the town's annual revenue, is necessary because the town has few revenue sources. The town receives all the parcel tax proceeds, while it receives only about 9 percent of the property taxes paid by Atherton property owners, the argument says.

"The town acts prudently with your money," the

argument says. "We consistently receive clean audit reports, and we scrutinize budget expenditures."

A yes vote, the argument says, will "continue important funding for public safety, streets, and drainage to maintain the quality of life Atherton residents expect and enjoy."

An impartial analysis of the measure written by City Attorney Bill Connors has also been filed.

Go to is.gd/measure_f and page down to the links under the Measure F heading for more information. ■

Animal hospital to leave town; mixed-use development planned

By Kate Bradshaw
Almanac Staff Writer

■ MENLO PARK

After 54 years in business, the Mid-Peninsula Animal Hospital is making plans to depart Menlo Park for North Fair Oaks, leaving the site to be redeveloped by Rapp Development.

A preliminary application to redevelop the site at 1125 Merrill St. and its neighboring building at 506-558 Santa Cruz Avenue with commercial, retail, offices and housing has been submitted to the city of Menlo Park.

According to city documents and staff, the developer proposes to build a four-story, mixed-use building on the animal hospital site that would have parking on the ground floor, 4,326 square feet of offices and two residential units on the upper floors adding up to 4,327 square feet.

At 506-558 Santa Cruz Ave., the developer proposes to build two buildings, one three-story and the other four-story, totaling 23,000 square feet. The lower floors will

have commercial or retail uses and the upper floors will have multifamily housing units.

Hospital's future?

An owner of the animal hospital, Carol Schumacher, said that she and her co-owners sold the building to Palo Alto-based developer Rapp Development about two years ago and have been leasing the animal hospital back since then.

The animal hospital's owners are in the process of redeveloping their own site for a new, expanded animal hospital in North Fair Oaks. Ms. Schumacher didn't give the exact address, but said it is just on the other side of Atherton along El Camino Real, near Target. Plans are for the new animal hospital to be 8,000 square feet, up from the current 6,000 square feet.

Scout's House, an animal rehabilitation center adjacent to the animal hospital, will also relocate

to the new site, she said.

She said the animal hospital owners tried diligently to find a new site in Menlo Park, but were unsuccessful.

"We would have had to increase our prices to stay in business, but nobody would have been able to pay," she said. The new location, she says, is a "pretty quick drive. We hope we will be convenient for our clients."

She attributed the difficulty of relocating within Menlo Park to not just the high costs, but also cited features of Menlo Park's El Camino Real/downtown specific plan, which asks that housing be put on top of new or redeveloped commercial buildings.

"We couldn't find a builder willing to put apartments over an animal hospital," she said, noting concerns about the noise and mess associated with animals on the premises.

The plan is to relocate the animal hospital before the redevelopment work begins at the Santa Cruz Avenue and Merrill Street sites, she said. ■

Councilman's home remodel moves ahead after stop-order

By Kate Bradshaw
Almanac Staff Writer

Menlo Park City Council member has been given the green light to resume his home remodeling after the project had been slapped with a stop-work order for violating the city's building regulations.

The architect for Councilman Peter Ohtaki's remodeling project is Planning Commissioner Henry Riggs, who recused himself when the Planning Commission voted 5-0 on Aug. 14 to grant the permit Mr. Ohtaki needed for the remodel to continue.

The stop-order was issued after it was discovered that excess drywall had been removed from the structure, which changed the expected value of the project. The city's building code requires a project applicant to get Planning Commission approval for remodeling projects that exceed 75 percent of a structure's replacement value within a one-year period.

The project was to add about 56 square feet to the front and 295 square feet to the rear of the residence, modify the interior

and replace the roof, windows and siding. "It's a small project by (Menlo Park) standards — (we're) not building, up, nor taking out any heritage trees," Mr. Ohtaki wrote in a text.

Mr. Riggs said that the violation was the result of miscommunication with the contractor. All of the drywall inside the house had been removed and was to be replaced, resulting in the remodeling project exceeding 75 percent of the replacement value, up from the intended 59 percent. When that work was found during a routine inspection, it triggered the requirement that the permit be re-evaluated by the commission, staff said.

In addition to Mr. Riggs recusing himself, Planning Commissioner Larry Kahle was recused because he had met with the applicants for consideration as the project's architect.

The councilman and commissioner involved in the project were scolded by commission Chair Drew Combs, who said, "I think, given the experience of the parties involved, I would have expected maybe a little bit more diligence." ■

Mixers aim to raise awareness of rising sea levels

Saltwater laps the shores of San Mateo County east and west. As the water rises with the effects of climate change, there are questions: How soon will it rise, by how much and what will higher sea levels mean for locations that have heretofore been dry ground?

Such questions are being

addressed at "Shrinking Shores" mixers being held along the county's shores in a relaxed social setting to raise awareness of the impact of sea level rise.

A mixer was held in June at Half Moon Bay and another is set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, at the Captain's House at 1701 Coyote Point Drive in San Mateo.

The focus of the event, put on by the county's Office of Sustainability and the Parks Foundation, is a set of temporary signs along the shore that show where the waterline is likely to be at points throughout the century.

Go to is.gd/rise831 for more information.

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more pressing priorities was a common one. Jennifer Wolosin, who heads the Parents for Safe Routes group and advocates for transportation improvements to help kids get to school safely, compared the offer to the allure of a half-price facelift at a time when one's hip is out and kidney needs replacing through a transplant.

"It's a silly analogy," she said, "But it's your job as council members ... to separate those wants and needs."

Affordable housing advocates Angela Evans of the Housing Leadership Council and Meg McGraw-Scherer, a member of the city's Housing Commission, suggested consideration be given to adding affordable housing above the library, citing its location near transit and the fact that it would be on city-owned land.

Karen Grove, a recent addition to the Housing Commission, told the council, "I think housing is a bigger priority than the library being better than it is."

Katie Behroozi, a member of the city's Complete Streets Commission, reminded the council that just in March, its members had balked at the thought of spending \$30-plus million to improve the library. Now, it's planning to spend \$30

million and expedite a project that "doesn't resemble what the community needs," she said.

She described philanthropy as a force that, at its best, offers "patient capital" to fund projects that the government can't; and at other times, produces the "odd encouragement of a plutocratic voice in a democratic society," using the words of Rob Reich, a Stanford ethicist. Mr. Arrillaga's offer, she said, does not appear to be offering "patient capital."

Members of the Menlo Park Library Foundation, on the other hand, spoke about the need for improved library facilities. Monica Corman, the foundation's president, said that the library can't be remodeled without major changes to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and that a remodel would still be expensive and could need to be redone in 10 to 15 years. She also noted how hard it would be to raise funds for a new library if Mr. Arrillaga's offer were to be declined. People will wonder why they're being asked for their money if such a gift were to be turned down, she said.

The council was expected to discuss the matter further at its next meeting on Aug. 29 and again on Sept. 12. ■

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Stanford to pay up to \$5 million for bike, pedestrian rail crossing

By Kate Bradshaw
Almanac Staff Writer

As part of preliminary terms of a development agreement between Stanford and the city of Menlo Park, Stanford officials have said the university will pay for half of the cost — up to a maximum of \$5 million — to build a tunnel or overpass to allow pedestrians and bicyclists to safely cross the Caltrain tracks at Middle Avenue in Menlo Park.

The Menlo Park City Council was scheduled to consider on Tuesday, Aug. 29, the terms of an agreement for Stanford's proposed 8.4-acre office, housing and retail development at 500 El Camino Real. The meeting is after the Almanac went to press.

Go to AlmanacNews.com for updates.

The university proposes to build 215 one- and two-bedroom apartments at the site, plus three office buildings totaling 144,000 square feet, and 10,000 square feet of retail and restaurant space; in all, 429,739 square feet.

Under the proposed agreement, the city will administer the crossing project, but Stanford will help pay for it. A study by consultants from the transportation firm AECOM to develop preliminary designs for the crossing is in progress.

The university also agreed to provide additional below-market-rate housing — a total of 10 units, two or three units beyond what is required as part of the city's below-market-rate ordinance — and to donate \$1 million, or \$100,000 a year for 10 years, to the Menlo Park-Atherton Education Foundation.

The council subcommittee, made up of council members Peter Ohtaki and Ray Mueller, is not currently recommending that the council approve all of the terms of the development agreement. The subcommittee has requested that Stanford provide an additional \$500,000 to the Menlo Park-Atherton Education Foundation.

The council may request that teachers in the Menlo Park City School District be given priority in renting five of the 10 below-market-rate apartments,

according to Chip Taylor, assistant city manager.

The preliminary agreement stipulates that the public will have access to a plaza at the development from 6 a.m. to midnight daily.

Stanford's offer to pay up to \$5 million for the rail crossing comes as the university is preparing for a hearing that could grant final approval to its proposed project. The whole project is expected to face final review by the Planning Commission on Monday, Aug. 28, and by the City Council after that.

Go to is.gd/review573 to see final environmental documents.

The project would have a large public plaza that is expected to have seating, movable furniture, landscaping and a flexible space for events. A total of 930 parking spaces would be in an underground parking garage and at ground level.

Some observers have argued that the city should negotiate a hard bargain because Stanford won't have to pay

property taxes on buildings used for academic purposes, which includes the apartments that will be rented to Stanford faculty and staff.

Stanford isn't required to do a development agreement for this project. Typically, such agreements are required when a developer proposes to build at a level of density beyond a "base" level. But the Stanford agreement serves to pinpoint the university's commitment to help pay for the bike and pedestrian Caltrain crossing. For years, the university had said it would "contribute significantly" to the costs of the crossing.

Steve Elliott, Stanford's managing director of development, said that over the last four and a half years since the project was submitted, "a lot of issues have come up," and those issues have been addressed. "Will there be others that come up until (the project is) finally approved? Probably. But we feel confident we've presented a project the community's going to love," he said.

Traffic

Stanford officials Jean McCown, John Donohoe and



Image courtesy Stanford University.

A rendering of one of the retail and office buildings proposed at Stanford's "Middle Plaza" development.

Steve Elliott met with the Almanac to discuss some of the ongoing concerns locals have with the project.

On the transportation front, Mr. Elliott said, the expected traffic from the project is about one-third less than what was projected in an environmental analysis conducted at the time the city's downtown specific plan was developed.

From previous iterations of the project, Stanford has increased the amount of housing, eliminated medical office space, and decreased the amount of office space, he said, all steps that reduce the number of trips the development's tenants are expected to generate.

Stanford charges for parking on-campus, which gives commuters an incentive to find another way to get to work, Ms. McCown said. The university pays to give its employees Go Passes, which provides those employees with free use of Caltrain. Also, employees can take Stanford buses that travel throughout the area, including across the Bay, she noted.

The types of tenants for the new office buildings are expected to be comparable to those on Middlefield and Sand Hill roads in Menlo Park and likely to be in the venture capital or private equity industries, Mr. Elliott said.

Housing

In a separate hearing held Aug. 23, the Housing Commission voted 3-2 to recommend that the Planning Commission approve Stanford's proposal to meet its below-market-rate housing requirement by providing 10 one-bedroom apartments

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Office, housing planned for former Beltramo's site

By Kate Bradshaw
Almanac Staff Writer

Transitioning from a high-end wine and spirits shop to a treadmill outfitter is only the tip of the iceberg of changes ahead for the former Beltramo's location, if a redevelopment proposal recently submitted for the site is approved.

Derek Hunter Jr., of Hunter-Storm Development, has proposed to demolish the long-standing building that housed Beltramo's shop at 1540 El Camino Real and build a 41,000-square-foot, two-story office building and a three-story residential building with 25 units, according to Menlo Park city staff.

Project drawings show the office building would face El Camino Real, and the residential structure would be behind it, facing San Antonio Street. There would be a two-level underground parking garage. Seven heritage trees are targeted



KSH Architects and KTG Architecture + Planning

A rendering of the 41,000-square-foot commercial building proposed for the former site of Beltramo's Wines & Spirits at 1540 El Camino Real.

for removal.

The architects are KSH Architects and KTG Architecture + Planning, according to project drawings.

The project will have to be

vetted by the Planning Commission, but the matter has not yet been scheduled. According to city staff, the Planning Commission is likely to begin its review of the project by the end

of the year.

Beltramo's closed in July 2016, and had been a family-run business in the city since 1882. The site is currently in use as the Treadmill Outlet, an exercise

equipment store.

Mr. Hunter is also developing a 24-condominium complex at 133 Encinal Ave. in Menlo Park, the former site of the Roger Reynolds Nursery. ▀

Fire district to negotiate with companies on impact fees

By Kate Bradshaw
Almanac Staff Writer

Menlo Park Fire Protection District officials, frustrated with efforts to get local cities to impose "impact" fees on new development, plan to negotiate directly with developers and companies to pay the fees.

The fees are intended to cover part of the cost of providing additional fire district services for the new development.

In May, the fire district board voted 4-1 for a resolution to withdraw requests made to Menlo Park, East Palo Alto, Atherton and parts of San Mateo County to establish such fees.

The district now plans to form what's called a "community facilities district" to create a special tax on new commercial and multi-family developments.

Board member Chuck Bernstein, who voted against the resolution, said that while he agreed that the district should stop asking cities to impose the fee, he could not defend the findings of a study that the district uses to justify the fees.

The study found that planned growth in the city's M-2 area (roughly bordered by the San Francisco Bay, University Avenue, U.S. 101 and Marsh Road) would cause the fire district to incur costs in excess of what could be paid for with added tax revenue from the new development.

"I thought (the study) was

sloppily done, and I thought, conceptually, it was just wrong," Mr. Bernstein said. "It's hard to defend because it's not defensible."

The other board members agreed to the resolution, reaffirming the fee amounts they had previously approved. The fire district has already negotiated with developers, specifically Facebook, which agreed to the fee, and Greenheart Land Co., which agreed to a minimum annual property tax guarantee, and to pay any potential shortfall for 10 years, up to the amount expected under the impact fee.

It's a point of tension between the fire district and the city of Menlo Park that the district's fee study did not match the findings of a similar study by the city. To investigate the discrepancy, Menlo Park's City Council created a subcommittee to ask detailed questions about the district's finances.

In Atherton, a consultant has been hired by the town to conduct a cost-benefit analysis of fire district services.

Fire Chief Harold Schapelhouman has criticized the city of Menlo Park for not sufficiently consulting with the district regarding the community's emergency-response needs. Emergency services need to be expanded to serve the booming population and workforce on the eastern side of U.S. 101 in Menlo Park, he said.

"Facebook is becoming,

essentially, its own little city," he said. "There are more people working at Facebook than live in the town of Atherton."

Partnering with police

Chief Schapelhouman said he regrets not pursuing a joint emergency services impact fee with the Menlo Park Police Department. "The police department is making the same arguments the fire protection district is," he said.

He said that he has been talking informally with Facebook about the possibility of using space at the company's Prologis property on Willow Road as a location for an emergency services center for fire, and potentially police, services in Menlo Park.

Facebook has not given any indication it will agree to such an arrangement, and declined to comment on whether it is in talks with the fire district.

"We're just talking," the fire chief explained in an interview. "We're throwing ideas out there. You don't know what's going to stick."

The idea arose in the aftermath of a community outcry in March over a proposal by the fire district to significantly expand the footprint of its Belle Haven fire station and claim, by eminent domain, three Belle Haven homes. The fire board voted May 16 to look into alternative locations to expand in the

M-2 area, including at Hamilton court, which is considered part of Facebook's Prologis property.

Though a meeting has been suggested, Chief Schapelhouman said neither the fire district nor Facebook has yet discussed with the city of Menlo Park the possibility of a joint fire-police emergency services center on Facebook property.

Menlo Park Police Chief Bob Jonsen said in an email that while the police department has enough space for its personnel at

its neighborhood service center in Belle Haven at Hamilton and Willow Road, more space could be helpful.

"Is there value to having the additional space? Absolutely," he said. "We have sufficient space for our personnel, but an upgraded Emergency Operation Center for the region would be a great asset and if a new center was decided on then it should consider incorporating the needs/benefits of the region." ▀

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to the city's below-market-rate housing supply.

Commissioners Michelle Tate and Meg McGraw-Scherer were opposed, commissioner Nevada Merriman recused herself because her husband works for Stanford, and commissioner Julianna Dodick was absent.

The units will be restricted to low-income renters, said Jim Cogan, housing and economic development manager in Menlo Park.

The 10-unit, below-market-rate housing total was calculated based on the following: five or six from the commercial space proposed at 500 El Camino Real, two from commercial space Stanford proposes to develop at 2131 Sand Hill Road, and an additional two to three

units resulting from negotiations between the city and the university.

Housing commissioners who opposed the below-market-rate housing agreement said they wanted some of the dedicated BMR units to be larger apartments, to offer lower-income families access to Menlo Park schools, and they wanted more apartments.

"This is basically a situation where (the developer) is following the rules," said Commissioner McGraw-Scherer, citing the development's prime location for affordable housing, near transit and downtown. "I just don't like the results."

The other apartments, Mr. Elliott said, are likely to be rented at below market rate to Stanford faculty and staff but will not be part of the city's BMR program. ▀



Image courtesy of Hayes Group Architects Inc.

A rendering of the proposed retail, commercial and residential building in downtown Menlo Park.

Three-story downtown building proposal clears another hurdle

By Kate Bradshaw
Almanac Staff Writer

A proposal to replace the building that runs from 706 to 716 Santa Cruz Avenue in Menlo Park with a three-story structure with underground parking, ground-floor retail, second-floor offices and third-floor condominiums, has cleared another hurdle.

The Menlo Park Housing Commission voted 6-0 on Aug. 23, with Commissioner Juliana Dodick absent, to accept

\$311,194 in fees for the city's "below market rate" housing fund as part of the project.

The proposal comes from Vasile Oros, who owns Menlo Park Hardware at 700 Santa Cruz Ave. He has proposed to demolish the building at the corner of Santa Cruz Avenue and Chestnut Street that currently houses the Japanese restaurant Juban Yakiniku, Techworld Trading and Union Bank.

The project would add four condominium units ranging from 2,500 to 3,500 square

feet on the top floor and about 16,000 square feet of commercial space on the second floor, all on top of existing retail square footage.

Because of the commercial space proposed for development, Mr. Oros would either have to pay the \$311,000 in below-market-rate housing fees, or provide nearly one unit of affordable housing.

A new sidewalk would be installed along Chestnut Lane to connect Chestnut Street to the city parking plaza. ■

Spate of commercial burglaries downtown

Burglars hit, or tried to hit, five businesses in downtown Menlo Park on Aug. 15, and stole cash, checks, a sweater and some frozen food, according to the Menlo Park Police Department.

Three of the five incidents were unsuccessful, leaving behind doors bearing pry marks, police said.

The incidents were reported on the same day and occurred in proximity to each other, so the working assumption is that they are the work of the same person or people, department

spokeswoman Nicole Acker said.

From a Farmers Insurance office on Oak Grove Avenue, someone stole checks, \$16 in cash and a sweater, police said. It's not clear how the burglar entered the office.

From the Octopus Japanese Restaurant on El Camino Real, a thief or thieves threw a rock through the restaurant's glass door, entered and pried open the cash register, and stole between \$400 and \$500 in cash, police said. Also stolen: frozen steak and chicken valued at \$500, police said.

Police were told of pry marks on the doors of Shypulski & Associates nail salon on Chestnut Street, Nooria's Electrolysis and Permanent Makeup on Oak Grove Avenue, and real estate agents Kerwin + Associates in the 200 block of El Camino Real.

Another Aug. 15 burglary in Menlo Park, this one of a vehicle parked at an apartment complex on Sharon Park Drive, resulted in the theft of a wallet and Bluetooth headphones. The thief used a tree branch to pry open a window, police said. The estimated loss was \$600.

DOE extends Stanford's contract to operate SLAC

The SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory in Menlo Park is known for its cutting edge research using X-ray lasers to investigate the incredibly small — electrons "dancing," residues of color in fossilized feathers, atomic structures of viruses — and the incredibly large — dark matter, parallel universes and dwarf galaxies. Collaborations at SLAC have led to four Nobel prizes in physics and chemistry.

Stanford University has been managing SLAC operations since 1962 and will continue to do so. The U.S. Department of Energy, whose Office of Science oversees 17 national laboratories, recently issued a five-year extension to Stanford's contract to operate SLAC — to Sept. 30, 2022.

Some 2,800 researchers from around the world use SLAC facilities annually along with more than 350 Stanford

researchers, SLAC says, noting that the Office of Science "is the largest supporter of basic research in the physical sciences in the United States and is working to address some of the most pressing challenges of our time."

The relationship between Stanford and SLAC includes four research institutes that provide "unique training opportunities" for graduate students and post-doctoral researchers, SLAC says.



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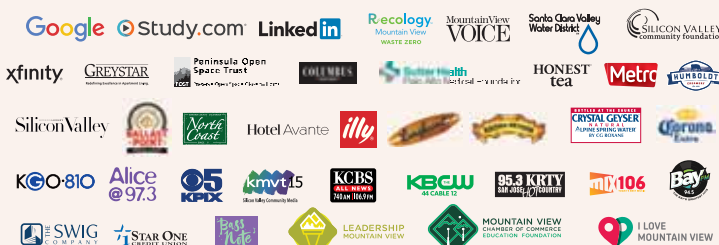


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Superintendent debuts with three new programs

By Barbara Wood
Almanac Staff Writer

Erik Burmeister, superintendent of the Menlo Park City School District for less than two months, has already gained school board approval for three major new projects.

The board unanimously supported the three ventures on Aug. 22: a district preschool, a training and credentialing program for bilingual teachers, and partnering with AltSchool, to beta-test technology tailoring different types of teaching to each student's needs.

Preschool

In April, noting that studies show early childhood education helps disadvantaged students succeed, board members approved the idea of a district preschool that could charge enough tuition to pay all its costs, including scholarships to those who need them.

At the Aug. 22 meeting, the board approved a job description for the preschool's founding director, who will get the school underway. The maximum salary is \$145,000 a year.

Bilingual teachers

The board also agreed to

asking the state for permission to train and credential bilingual teachers.

The teacher shortage, especially in the fields of math, science and bilingual education, has led the state to ask for alternatives to the current teacher credentialing system, the superintendent said.

The district has so far found enough teachers, but is beginning to see fewer "qualified and high quality" applicants for the district's expanding world language programs.

The district has the facilities needed for the program and will only need to pay for supplies and teachers, who can be district administrators and teachers, Mr. Burmeister said.

Starting the program would cost about \$10,000, he said. The annual tuition of about \$5,000 per student should repay that and all ongoing costs, Mr. Burmeister said.

The district could drop the program at any in the start-up process, which should take about a year, he said.

Board member Joan Lambert commended Mr. Burmeister and the others who worked on the program "for thinking outside the box." It should provide teachers for Menlo Park,



Menlo Park City School District

Superintendent Erik Burmeister says the Menlo Park City School District will be the first to partner with AltSchool, a Silicon Valley startup that personalizes education using technology that supports many teaching styles.

and other districts as well. "If it works, there's potential to expand to other areas," she said.

Mr. Burmeister said the goal is to get outside funding for teachers who need help with tuition.

AltSchool

The school board also approved partnering with AltSchool, a Silicon Valley startup that personalizes education using technology that supports many teaching styles.

Mr. Burmeister said last year the district tried out a personalized learning program from Summit Public Schools, called Summit Base Camp, but it was not a good fit.

"We learned a ton," the superintendent said, the district wanted a program that could be used by more students, and be more customizable. "Our teachers felt confined by the tools," he said.

The Menlo Park district will be the first to partner with AltSchool, which has its own laboratory schools in Palo Alto, several other Bay Area locations and New York.

The for-profit startup, founded by parent and former Google executive Max Ventilla, has raised \$173 million from investors including Mark Zuckerberg, Peter Thiel's Founders Fund, and Andreessen Horowitz, according

to Crunchbase.com.

AltSchool's Ben Kornell said AltSchool was so impressed with the Menlo Park district that it moved up its timeline for partnering with a school district by a year.

The pilot will involve 100 to 120 students at Hillview Middle School, initially with math and later science, Mr. Burmeister said, costing about \$15,000 for two years.

All five board members supported the project, but they did not approve the AltSchool contract, asking for changes to protect students' privacy. The revised contract was to come back to a special meeting on Tuesday, Aug.

29. See AlmanacNews.com for an update.

School board member Caroline Lucas warned the three new initiatives are a lot of work. "We are a district that does innovate and move forward," she said. "We want to make sure we do it well."

Mr. Burmeister said he has told his staff "if I need to slow down, to tell me."

So far, they haven't requested putting on the brakes. ■

The board unanimously supported the three ventures, including a new preschool.

Burglary rate down, but signs will warn visitors of watch groups

By Dave Boyce
Almanac Staff Writer

Residential and auto burglaries over the first eight months of 2017 are down 69 percent in Portola Valley compared to the same period in 2016, according to crime records provided to the Almanac.

The incidents in 2016 included two home-invasion robberies, one involving injuries inflicted by the robbers. Residents have since formed 30 neighborhood watch groups with 40 residents volunteering as block captains,

program coordinator Lorrie Duval told the Town Council on Aug. 23.

The council was considering a proposal from Town Manager Jeremy Dennis to post signs at the town's three entrances to alert motorists, including those with criminal intentions, that neighborhood watch groups are on the job.

By consensus, the council settled on the one sign proposed: a brown-and-white rectangle showing an alert owl glaring at observers beneath the words

"neighborhood watch" and above the name of the town.

The owl design is the work of Sarah Contreras, a woman in her 20s who does not live in town but whose grandmother, Ragni Pasturel, does, Mr. Dennis said. The Architectural & Site Control Commission approved the owl design, and it also won approval from a majority at a June neighborhood watch meeting, according to a staff report.

Mr. Dennis' proposal included a plan for 11 smaller identical signs to be posted at strategically chosen intersections throughout town. The sameness, in keeping with the council's tentative initial take on the matter, was intended to impose uniformity rather than allow neighborhoods to come up with their own signs in a town that has places high value on community aesthetics.

But the uniformity approach never really got off the ground this time. Councilman John Richards, reiterating a previously stated opinion, said he was OK with having identical signs at the entrances, but that residents

according to the District Attorney's Office.

On condition that he not go to prison, Mr. Franco admitted to a "serious and violent felony," meaning that another similar offense in the future would mean a strike on his record, among other ramifications, District Attorney Steve Wagstaffe said.

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Image courtesy town of Portola Valley

This sign is likely to be the Portola Valley Town Council's choice for alerting visitors at the entrances to the town of watch groups.

should be allowed to come to the Architectural & Site Control Commission with their own ideas. "It gets to neighborhood identity," he said.

"I think John's idea may have some wings," Councilwoman Ann Wengert said.

"Perhaps we need to let (residents) have some creative leeway," Councilwoman Maryann Derwin said. "I guess I'm kind of leaning towards John's thinking."

The council asked Mr. Dennis to come back with a plan, including parameters for what constitutes a neighborhood and

the generic elements of a watch sign, perhaps including a template that both welcomes and warns visitors.

Ms. Wengert said she would respect a neighborhood's preference for a conventional sign, such as the design initially rejected — a likeness in black and blue on a white background of a vigilant, unblinking eyeball.

Conventional neighborhood watch signs have recognition value, one resident said. "I'm still in favor of it," she said.

"There's a real diversity of opinion," Mr. Dennis noted to the council. ■

Burglary suspect sentenced to jail in no-contest plea

Jesus Giovanni Franco, 19, of Redwood City, was sentenced to one year in the San Mateo County jail and three years of supervised probation after pleading no contest Aug. 25 to one count of residential burglary in connection with an incident on Golden Oak Drive in Portola Valley in January.

County prosecutors had been seeking a maximum of two years in state prison for Mr. Franco,

For rent by fire district: \$4.6M Atherton home

By **Barbara Wood**
Almanac Staff Writer

An Atherton home next door to the Almondal Avenue fire station, purchased by the fire district for \$4.6 million in June, should be managed as a rental, not as a crash pad for weary Menlo Park Fire Protection District employees, the district's board said on Aug. 15.

Chief Harold Schapelhouman had recommended in a report to the board that the district "clean up the home and allow Chief Officers, Fire Investigators and other appropriate safety personnel to use the three bedrooms in order to avoid long commutes to their primary residences."

But fire board members said they preferred board member Chuck Bernstein's proposal, made to the chief in an email before the meeting and distributed to board members, to hire a property manager and rent the house as a private residence.

In an email to the chief, Mr. Bernstein said: "It looks bad from a community standpoint to be giving our chief officers temporary housing that costs \$5 million. This is not a priority for the district."

The chief's written response was that it depends on one's perspective: "Did we purchase the property as an investment or strategic location to support the mission and day to day operations of the Fire District?"

Mr. Bernstein said he believes the fire district can net a \$5,000 to \$7,000 monthly profit by renting the home, even if paying property taxes.

Board members unanimously agreed that the district should use a property manager to rent the house, and asked the chief to return with a report about what work would be needed to prepare it for rental.

Board director Virginia Chang Kiraly, who was absent from the meeting, said later that while she is unsure because she didn't participate in the discussion, she probably would have supported the chief's recommendation.

"If you look at why governments buy property, it is for a public use," she said. "I don't think the fire district should be in the business of being a landlord. Our charge is not to be a profit center."

Ms. Chang Kiraly, who is the district's liaison to Atherton, said that to her knowledge, no one from the district had asked nearby residents or the town what they preferred the house be used for.

Board members also did not support two other recommendations from Chief Schapelhouman: to remove the swimming pool from the property as "a potential safety issue and long term maintenance expense," and to erect a multi-purpose garage of about 1,000 square feet on the property.

"I think we all concur with the fact that we should move expeditiously to turn this into an income-producing property," board President Peter Carpenter said. "This is a very good rental market. It's a prime piece of real estate," he said.

"The impact on the neighborhood is going to be zero ... because its current use will be continued," he said.

The district purchased the property when it came on the market in June, paying \$300,000 more than the listing price and beating out several other bidders with an all-cash offer.

After the purchase, Chief Schapelhouman said the district will eventually be able to use the land to make the fire station "more functional" but that a new station will not be built for at least two and possibly three decades. ■

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Mr. Franco must serve 364 days in jail and has been in custody for 219 days, prosecutors said. His sentence includes giving up his Fourth Amendment protections against search and seizure, \$400 in fines, a \$330 payment to the burglary victim, and a requirement to stay away from Golden Oak Drive.

The incident began shortly after noon on Jan. 19 when a 72-year-old resident of the 100 block of Golden Oak Drive called 911 after noticing two men in her backyard, according to sheriff's deputies.

Arriving deputies reported

seeing two men wearing latex gloves trying to force open a door to the home. The men fled on foot upon seeing the deputies and were subsequently caught.

Mr. Franco allegedly told investigators that he and fellow burglar Jose Yahir Rodriguez decided that morning to break into homes in order to get \$10,000 so as to "buy a nice car and take girls out on dates," prosecutors said.

Mr. Rodriguez is also 19 and a Redwood City resident. He was given a one-year jail sentence and three years of supervised probation on Aug. 24 after pleading no contest in March to one count of attempted residential burglary.

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4. Cal Water CUSE2016-0009; VARI2016-0008; VARI2016-0009
Stadler Drive Planner: Corinne Jones, Assistant Planner

Continued presentation and approval, conditional approval, or denial of a proposal to remove two (2) 60,000 gallon water tanks and construct a 250,000 gallon steel water tank, pumps, piping, and associated equipment. The proposal also includes improvements to the existing driveway, which provides access from Stadler Drive.

A Conditional Use Permit (CUSE2016-0009) is required for public utility structures in an SCP zoning district; a Variance to height (VARI2016-0008) is required to permit the structure to exceed the 30-foot height limit; and, a Variance to setbacks (VARI2016-0009) is required to permit the structure within the 50-foot required setbacks.

This item was continued from July 19, 2017, to allow the applicant to explore design alternatives and provide additional information for Planning Commission review.

5. Magalli Yoho NCOU2016-0002
215 Lindenbrook Road Planner: Sage Schaan, Principal Planner

Continued presentation and approval, conditional approval, or denial of a proposal to permit an addition onto an existing nonconforming shed (partially located within required side setback) and convert the use from a storage building to a habitable home office, including a full bathroom. The addition and interior conversion was completed without permits. Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 153.300(C), the Planning Commission shall review the change of use of the nonconforming structure to determine if the proposed use change would result in any significant adverse impacts. **This item was continued from July 19, 2017, to allow for additional Commissioners to review the items to break the split vote on the project.**

6. Wim Coekaerts ASRB2017-0018, GRAD2017-0006
455 Maple Way Planner: Sage Schaan, Principal Planner

Presentation and approval, conditional approval, or denial of a proposal, requiring Formal Design Review, to demolish a dilapidated nonconforming barn, pool, pool house, patios and retaining walls; and construct a single-family residence with a partial basement, an accessory dwelling unit (ADU)/guest house, retaining walls, a driveway, replacement of some fencing, and other associated site improvements.

The Planning Commission will consider the Formal Design Review recommendation from ASRB (ASRB2017-0018), and the proposed Grading Exception (GRAD2017-0006) for grading cuts that exceed 8 feet in height.

7. 331 Greer LLC PCDR2017-0002; PCDR2017-0003; GRAD2017-0002; GRAD2017-0003; VARI2017-0004
331 Greer Road Planner: Sage Schaan, Principal Planner

The project includes less than 2,000 square feet of new floor area, therefore ASRB review is not required. The Planning Commission will complete the Formal Design Review along with the review of the other requested entitlements. 331 Greer Road includes two parcels: APN 072-052-020 (North Lot) and APN 072-052-260 (South Lot).

APN 072-052-260 (South Lot)

Proposal includes Formal Design Review of the demolition of a portion of an existing single family residence, and construction of an addition to, and remodel of the residence; demolition of six existing small accessory structures (three sheds, pool shade structure, dog shelter, and carport); construction of three new accessory structures (utility shed, pool pavilion, and garage); and, associated site improvements that include, but is not limited to, significant grading, pool relocation, significant paving/driveway relocation, and new landscaping (PCDR2017-0002). The proposal on this parcel requires approval of a Grading Exception for grading that exceeds 1,500 cubic yards (GRAD2017-0002).

APN 072-052-020 (North Lot)

Proposal includes Formal Design Review for site improvements, including new landscaping, replaced vineyard, and relocated paving/driveways (PCDR2017-0003); a Variance to the maximum Paved Area and Surface Coverage for a new California Water Company paved road to access an existing water main (VARI2017-0004); and a Grading Exception for grading that exceeds 1,500 cubic yards (GRAD2017-0003).

8. Accessory Dwelling Units Planner: Jackie Young, Planning Director
Town-wide

A policy discussion concerning the provision of adequate ingress/egress for Accessory Dwelling Units established in converted structures.

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

Back to school ... through students' eyes

As everyone has probably noticed by the increased traffic and activity, local schools are back in session. This year, the Almanac is trying something

new with our annual Back to School issue. We asked students to write about their schools: what's new on their campus that they think the community might find interesting.

Please let us know what you think by sending a note to editor@almanacnews.com or by commenting on our Town Square forum on AlmanacNews.com.

Camp Hillview welcomes incoming sixth-graders

By Will Rice
Hillview Student

The WEB program (stands for Where Everybody Belongs) is a great way to welcome sixth-graders to Hillview Middle School in Menlo Park.

The WEB student leaders, all eighth-graders, had up to nine hours of training about how to introduce the new students and to ensure that they weren't nervous coming to a new school.

During Camp Hillview, 300 sixth-graders were split into groups of 10 to 12, each led by two or three WEB student leaders.

The leaders took their students

to a classroom for various activities, including the name game, and bouncing around a balloon, keeping it in the air for as long as possible.

The students then had lunch, participated in a question-and-answer session, took a guided tour of the school, and met Principal Willy Haug.

In my experience as a WEB leader, the students had fun, learned a lot about Hillview, and seemed much less nervous than they were at the start of the day. They seemed excited to start their new school year.

Will Rice is an eighth-grader at Hillview School in Menlo Park.



Photo by Michelle Le/The Almanac

Incoming sixth-grade students at Hillview Middle School in Menlo Park check out the campus, led by eighth-grader Zack Thomases, as part of the school's annual Camp Hillview, a 20-year tradition for new sixth-graders. **About the cover:** Hillview Middle School eighth-grader Louisa Moyer helps a group of new sixth-graders get to know each other through this straw-connecting game. (Photo by Michelle Le/The Almanac.)

Getting to know Hillview's director of student activities

Claire Auslander, Emily Olson and Devin Leslie, eighth-graders at Hillview Middle School in Menlo Park and members of the Student Council, interviewed Brian Darmanin, director of student activities, including a Hillview TV news program that students produce.

Question: What is one thing you want everybody to know

about you?

Answer: Most people don't know that I worked as a production assistant at CNN's Crossfire while I was in college. My then professor and boss, Sam Feist, is now the Washington bureau chief and senior vice president of CNN. It's wonderful to be able to share that insight into news features and broadcasting with Hillview students. My

experience at CNN has been invaluable in connecting the dots for our students to understand the importance of news and reminding them that every person has a story to tell.

Q: What do you love about Hillview?

A: Hillview is a special place because it dares to be curious and creative in an ever-changing

world. If you have an idea that you think will impact students and make a difference, Hillview supports it in so many ways.

Q: What has changed at Hillview under your tenure that impacts Hillview students?

A: When I arrived at Hillview, we were a smaller school in a smaller campus in the midst of major construction. It was quite chaotic at times with little room to plan lunchtime games or activities due to the new campus being built. I guess it would be important for everyone to remember that Hillview is no longer a small school, but we certainly strive to make our campus inclusive and connected in every way.

Q: What's something the community might not know about the programs you run?

A: As the director of student activities and the broadcast director, the community might not know that we have grown tremendously in the last decade. Our Associated Student Body (ASB) leadership class has 35-plus students, whereas early on, it was a small group of six to eight students who met before school. Plus, our broadcast space has gone from a converted custodial closet to a fully

equipped broadcast studio. Our bi-weekly news show, HVTV, has been recognized nationally by the Student Television Network as a top middle school broadcast with news features that are created by and for students. These programs continue to thrive thanks to the support of the Menlo Park community, our board, administrators, and of course, the students who work tirelessly to improve their show.

Menlo Park City School District

- **Enrollment:** 2,980, up 77 from 2013-14 school year and down 19 from 2016-17.
- **New programs and courses:** Benchmark Adelante, supporting California common core state standards in Spanish; project based learning aligned with Next Generation Science Standards; Kimoichis, social/emotional learning to help lower-grade students recognize and manage emotions.
- **New staff:** 18 new teachers; Superintendent Erik Burmeister; Assistant Superintendent Jammie Behrendt; Associate principal, Encinal School, Jennifer Kollmann; associate principal, Hillview Middle School, Joan VonderLinden.
- **New facilities** None.



Photo by Willy Haug

Brian Darmanin, left, Hillview Middle School's student activities director, chats with students, from left, Devin Leslie, Emily Olson and Claire Auslander.



Photo by Nathalie Camens

Students mingle on the quad of Menlo-Atherton's new G wing building.

Twenty-one new classrooms await students at new G Wing

By Nathalie Camens

Senior, M-A High

For the new school year, students at Menlo-Atherton High School are getting a chance to use the new facilities and have classes in the recently finished G wing, the second building on campus to have two stories, after the I wing.

The 27,000-square-foot G wing adds to the campus a new quad, 21 classrooms with shared learning spaces, a learning center, new technology, and lunch tables. There is also a large bear mural on the side of the building, and students will have access to more bathrooms.

Although construction is still taking place on campus — with the renovation of the smaller playing field and the construction of a STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) building in progress by the tennis courts — M-A students are excited to finally use the new G wing.

Students were asked what they think of the new G wing in a Google Forms survey shared on Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter and email, and posted in M-A classrooms.

Of the 134 M-A students who responded, 95 percent said that they liked the new G wing.

"It is pretty and the classrooms are up to date," senior Alexandria Feeley said. "Air conditioning is always great! The bathrooms are also nice and new. Well, they are for now."

Rafi Fernandez, another senior, said: "It's a little much but very beautiful. Love the design."

Miranda Mueller, a junior, noted that "it's not dirty yet, and has a vending machine that sells LaCroix" sparkling water.

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Vice Principal Stephen Emmi explained that the new learning center is "where students who need some extra academic support can go and receive that support."

He says his favorite feature of the new G wing is "all the technology in the classrooms," including Smart Boards, the interactive white boards.

"I like the shared learning spaces, too," he said. Those spaces are rooms that straddle two classrooms, are used for smaller, instructional groups, and allow for one-on-one teaching opportunities.

Construction at M-A — at the playing field, the kitchen and the STEM building — will go on for one more year, Mr. Emmi said.

Artificial turf is replacing grass at the new playing field, which will be used for physical education, lacrosse and soccer.

If things go according to plan, this phase of the construction

could end in August 2018, but might run into the fall.

— Nathalie Camens is a senior at Menlo-Atherton High School and co-editor-in-chief of the student news website, *M-A Chronicle*.

Menlo-Atherton High School

- **Enrollment:** 2,430, up 357 from school year 2013-14 and up 65 from 2016-17
- **New programs:** Switching to Canvas management software for homework, grades and course information. It's the same software used in the community college, UC and CSU systems, as well as Stanford University.
- **New courses:** Speech-and-debate elective taught by John McBlair.
- **New staff:** 25 teachers, a counselor and a vice principal.
- **New facilities:** The G wing building adds 21 air-conditioned classrooms, a shaded lunch area and shared work spaces for small groups.



Photo by Ana Sofia Amieva-Wang

Menlo Atherton High School's STEM building, devoted to science, technology, engineering and math, is under construction.



Photo by Ana Sofia Amieva-Wang

Mary Streshly took the reins at the Sequoia Union High School District as superintendent on July 1. English was her college major, not once but twice.

New superintendent has a past to draw on

Mary Streshly's father was a school district superintendent, too.

By Dave Boyce

Almanac Staff Writer

For Mary Streshly, the new superintendent of the Sequoia Union High School District as of July 1, being at the top of school district management runs in the family.

Her father led school districts in San Marcos and San Ramon and has been a source of advice to her on educational leadership. "He's one of my biggest role models," she said. Asked for a sample of his advice, she recalled his suggestion that she ask three questions of everyone as she introduces herself to the community: "What would you do if you were me? How can I support you?" and "What should I change?"

She has been asking such questions. A common concern in the Sequoia district has been gentrification, especially from residents of East Palo Alto, she said. In

Campbell, where she was assistant superintendent of the high school district, high rents have been driving working class families away, she said, and noted that enrollment has been dropping in Redwood City schools.

When addressing issues of concern, Ms. Streshly is an advocate of "unpacking" them to get a better understanding, a methodology key to her leadership style, she said. She borrows from her comparative literature studies, where she looked for themes and connections. Connections can reveal underlying needs, which may then reveal possible compromises and mitigation to address the needs, she said.

On gentrification, the path forward isn't clear, "especially at the policy and fiscal levels," she said. While the board is listening to the community, "I'm not sure gentrification is

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J wing new home for science, tech, engineering, math

By Kianna Koeppen
Junior, Woodside High

WOODSIDE HIGH

Woodside High School has a new STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) building, also known as the J wing, welcoming students to the new school year.

In 2013, Woodside High received \$40 million in funding for school construction. Much of the money went to design, plan and build the J wing building. Construction began in 2016 and finished this year on Aug. 15, the day before school started.

“We needed another chemistry room and we needed another robotics room,” Woodside Principal Diane Burbank said. “When the school was built we didn’t have engineering pathways and now kids are taking more math. We needed more classrooms.”

Despite the many benefits the building brings to the school, the process didn’t go according to plan.

“Well, I think initially the building was larger,” said Jill Baumgartel, who teaches advanced-standing chemistry and was a member of the design team. “Once we realized that we had other projects to do on campus, and that we’d already taken out one tennis court, the building got a little bit smaller. We

had to redesign some things.”

Faculty members say that all the hard work was worth it.

“I think it’s a very positive space,” Ms. Baumgartel said from a chemistry classroom in

the new building. “One of the biggest things that the students see is light when they come in here. There’s nice, clean, new materials that students can use.”

Experienced staff members are not the only ones feeling the excitement.

“It’s a brand new classroom,” said Binh Nguyen, a new math teacher at Woodside High. “Everything is new and I can make it what I want, because I’m the first teacher to use the room. So in that sense I really, really like it.”

Many see the new building as

offering a great space for students for years to come.

“We have an excellent chemistry lab where students are going to be able to do further research, and math on the second floor,” Ms. Baumgartel said. “So it’s a good combination.”

— Kianna Koeppen is a junior at Woodside High School and is one of the editors of the school newspaper, *The Woodside World*.



Photo by Michelle Le/The Almanac

This new STEM building at Woodside High will be the center for science, technology, engineering and math instruction. The panel’s color reflects the school colors of orange and white.

Woodside High School

- **Enrollment:** 1,830, up 50 from school year 2013-14 and up 30 from 2016-17.
- **New programs:** Computers for each student in the AVID tutoring program; new no-homework policy over major school breaks.
- **New courses:** Culinary arts hospitality management, computer integrated manufacturing, advanced classes in digital photo and design, animation and audio production.
- **New staff:** Ten teachers and a counselor.
- **New facilities:** The J wing for science, technology, engineering and math classes is two stories and 10,000 square feet and adds 10 classrooms to the campus. Renovated culinary classroom, including industrial gas stoves and demo area.

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something we mitigate as educators,” she said.

Being paid to read

Ms. Streshly, who is 49 and lives in Burlingame, has a bachelor’s degree in English from the University of California at Berkeley. She also has a teaching credential and a master’s degree in English literature and English as a second language from San Diego State University, a credential in administration from California State University San Marcos, and a doctorate in educational leadership from San Francisco State University.

While at UC Berkeley, she interned in public relations and considered taking up photojournalism. But after graduating and making \$17,000 a year, she headed home. “I was not making it,” she said. Her father offered her a choice: pay rent or go to graduate school. She chose the latter.

An upside: Her father also taught rhetoric. “No matter how busy he was, he would always take time to edit my papers,” she said.

Over her career, she taught English language development in middle and high school in San Marcos and chaired that department for five years. She coordinated English language learning at Sequoia High in Redwood City for a year before moving on to Lowell High in San Francisco for three years as assistant principal, then to Half Moon Bay High for about four years as principal.

As a teacher, she gravitated toward leadership by taking on extra roles — department chair, language arts mentor, coordinator for the AVID college-prep tutoring program. “My dad nudged me a lot,” she added. Her interests grew to include working with and across schools and districts.

While she said she sees education leadership and teaching as being fulfilling occupations — teaching English as a second language is “one of the most fulfilling places to be in education,” she said — leadership offers opportunities to impacts more students.

Asked why she chose English as a college major, considering the storied deficits of that major

when searching for gainful employment and given that she hadn’t settled on a career, Ms. Streshly had a ready reply: “My favorite teacher in high school was an English teacher,” she said. “I really loved that class.”

There was a time when she was paid to read. As a child without an allowance, she could earn money over the summers by reading books. “Most of the time, I would finish them,” she said. “There wasn’t a lot to do.” It was a two-mile walk to a Seven-11 in San Marcos, she said.

She recalled being paid to read “Watership Down” by Richard Adams, in which a group of English rabbits have adventures, and “Atlas Shrugged” by Ayn Rand, in which reticence by industrialists in the face of aggressive new regulations leads to society’s collapse. “I’m not sure it marks my politics,” she said of Ms. Rand’s book.

“The best thing about literature is to be able to discuss it and connect it to what you’re doing,” she said.

While at UC Berkeley, her ethnic studies classes led to reading works by such luminaries as Ralph Ellison, Toni

Morrison and Zora Neale Hurston. “It drove me, I think, to really always be working with under-served populations,” she said. It also served her belief in the “transformative power” of public education to break the cycle of poverty. “I firmly believe public education is the cornerstone of our democracy,” she said.

Bond measure

Sequoia district voters in 2014 approved a bond measure authorizing the district to borrow up to \$265 million for facilities to meet an enrollment surge expected over the next five to six years. Included was \$64 million for two magnet schools of about 400 students each: one in Menlo Park and the other planned for San Carlos.

Underlying realities have changed. The enrollment surge has moderated, due in part to gentrification and the cost of living. The district paid more than anticipated for the properties intended for the two new schools, and faced community opposition to a school in San Carlos.

In late 2015, district Chief Facilities Officer Matthew Zito

told the board that the cost to build the Menlo Park school — now known as TIDE Academy — jumped 33 percent. Then an overheated construction market led to a year’s delay in the academy’s opening, now set for August 2019.

Asked to comment, Ms. Streshly made note of the enrollment and cost variables and said she’s in information-gathering mode. “You try to (earn) the voters’ trust and maintain it ... and I think the district has done that,” she said. “From what I can see, it’s going very well,” with no signs of over-building, she said.

Menlo-Atherton High has a new 21-classroom building and a science, technology, engineering and math classroom building in progress. “M-A is growing and I believe that’s space that will be used.”

As for the San Carlos property, “It’s an asset in more ways than one,” she said. “The input was not 100 percent positive on building a school there.” It could be used for housing or program expansion, she said. The community college district, which houses some teachers on campus, may be a model, she said.

Corte Madera kicks off school year with solar eclipse

By Carmen Bechtel

Student, Corte Madera School

Students at Corte Madera, the Portola Valley School District's fourth- to eighth-grade school, spent the start of their first day of school on Aug. 21 watching the solar eclipse at a variety of stations created by parent volunteers and staff members on the school's blacktop.

Sun-spotter devices enabled kids to trace the sun, and paper plates with small holes punched in them showed how shadows were affected by the moon passing in front of the sun.

At 10:15 a.m., students, teachers and volunteers, using solar-filtered telescopes and eclipse glasses, watched the eclipse at its peak coverage of 79 percent.

"I think it makes the first day of school that much more magical," one parent volunteer said.

Some teachers incorporated the eclipse into their lesson plans, showing videos and giving talks on the science behind eclipses. For many students, this powerful experience was just the



Photo by Carmen Bechtel

The Corte Madera School community observes the eclipse together.

beginning of an equally exciting school year.

– Carmen Bechtel is an

eighth-grader at Corte Madera School who enjoys writing and painting.

Portola Valley School District

■ **Enrollment:** 609, down 45 from 2013-14 and down 16 from 2016-17

■ **New programs:** stand-alone transitional kindergarten, second year of Challenge Success (a Stanford-developed program to reduce stress on students); in-house coaching workshop for readers and writers, both campuses; Chromebook take-home program

expanded to grades 5-7; digital portfolios for grades 6-8; Google Classrooms manages online curricula district-wide; Google Expeditions takes students on global virtual reality field trips.

■ **New courses:** sixth-grade integrated science using Next Generation Science Standards; coding and video game design; new

middle school Spanish curriculum.

■ **New staff:** Three new teachers, one new paraprofessional.

■ **New facilities:** EngageSpace outdoor spaces for students to play, gather, and socialize at both schools; a Facilities Master Plan is assessing the district's infrastructure, modernization, and program needs.

Las Lomitas Elementary School District

■ **Enrollment:** 1,357, down 31 from school year 2013-14 and down 20 from 2016-17.

■ **New programs:** More than 40 teachers were trained in Reader's Workshop this summer.

■ **New courses:** Journalism.

■ **New staff:** Seven new teachers, no other new staff.

■ **New facilities:** At La Entrada, blacktop paving and a new lunch area should be completed within the first month of school. At

Las Lomitas, driveway and bike parking have been reconfigured and the daycare facility has been moved to the center of campus. (Major construction is underway on both campuses.)

Note: Go to is.gd/Lomitas22 for a story about the construction ahead at Las Lomitas district schools. District officials said no Las Lomitas students were available to write a story for this Back to School section.

Woodside School offers seven new electives for middle schoolers

By Layne Kohler

Woodside School Eighth-Grader

Woodside School is offering middle school students the opportunity to broaden their horizons with seven new elective options.

James Haddon, middle school physical education teacher, is the instructor for four of the new electives: self defense, strength and conditioning, yoga and wrestling.

"The goal of these electives is to give students more options and opportunities to learn new ways to be healthy and safe (and to) improve physical, mental and emotional health through sport," he said.

Before these courses were offered, none of the school's

electives provided physical exercise for students. Now, students will have many opportunities to take part in and learn about the importance of different forms of exercise.

Sharon Lacrosse, Woodside School's librarian, is teaching the new "modern readers" elective, designed to help students grow as readers.

"Students will learn about new authors, titles and new ways to share what they're reading," Ms. Lacrosse said. In this elective, students will be able to share their thoughts on websites such as Goodreads, which allows people to connect with friends through reading. Students will also have the opportunity to communicate with authors via Apple's Face-time app.

A new blogging elective will enable students to write a blog about a topic of their choosing. It will be taught by Leanne Otten, the English language arts teacher for sixth- and seventh-graders.

Website design is a new elective taught by Harlin Hansen, the technology and coding teacher at Woodside School who works with students at every grade level.

The blogging and website design electives will be opportunities for students to write and work with technology at the same time.

– Layne Kohler is an eighth-grader at Woodside School and is a co-treasurer of the Student Council.



Photo by Layne Kohler

Woodside Elementary School seventh-graders, from left, Josie, Mada and Milla, are taking the new "modern readers" elective class. They are mugging for the camera in the school's library.

Woodside Elementary School District

■ **Enrollment:** 410, down 42 from 2013-14 and up one from 2016-17.

■ **New programs:** None.

■ **New courses:** Self defense, wrestling and yoga.

■ **New staff (including teachers):** Four new teachers; new

transitional kindergarten to fifth grade principal Lauren Petrea; new student services coordinator Marta Battle; and new psychologist Allison Bruner

■ **New facilities:** None.

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CALENDAR

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Community Events

2017 St. Patrick's Seminary Gala St. Patrick's Seminary and University hosts its 10th Annual Gala: Celebration Under the Stars at the 118-year-old seminary. Event honors Walk for Life West Coast founders Dolores Meehan and Eva Muntean. Sept. 9, 5 p.m. \$250-\$1,800. St. Patrick's Seminary & University, 320 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. stpsu.edu/2stpsu-gala

Theater

'Ballerina: A One-Woman Play' Using dance, music, film and spoken word, Stephanie Herman presents "Ballerina: A One-Woman Play." Post-play reception and Q&A follow. Display of Rudolph Nureyev's ballet shoes. Aug. 30, 8-10 p.m. Oshman Family JCC, 3921 Fabian Way, Palo Alto. paloaltojcc.org/ballerina

TheatreWorks: 'Constellations' A time-bending romantic drama spun out of string theory, this unconventional Broadway and West End play explores the infinite possibilities of "boy meets girl." Aug. 23-Sept. 17, times vary. \$40-\$100. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. theatreworks.org

Music

Classical on the Square: 'Bay Shore Lyric Opera' concert performed outdoors. Sept. 10, 5 p.m. Free. Courthouse Square, 2200 Broadway, Redwood City. Search redwoodcity.org for more info.

Live Music: Half Moon Band performs blend of jazz standards and pop/rock

crossover tunes. Sept. 2, 7-9 p.m. Free-wheel Brewing Company, 3736 Florence St., Redwood City. freewheelbrewing.com

Novas Bossas: Live Brazilian Music Classic and original sambas, bossa novas, samba-cancao and chorus, with a focus on improvisation. Sept. 1, 7-9:30 p.m. Free. Cafe Zoe, 1929 Menalto Ave., Menlo Park.

SF Opera Preview Lecture Dr. Derek Katz addresses profound questions underlying the opera "Elektra" and illustrates his talk with musical and visual examples. Q&A follows. Sept. 5, 7:30-9 p.m. \$10. Fellowship Hall, First Presbyterian Church of Palo Alto, 1140 Cowper Street (at Lincoln), Palo Alto. facebook.com/sfogpen

Talks & Lectures

Ending Human Trafficking Talk by Randy Newcomb, CEO of Humanity United. Sept. 11, 7:30-9 p.m. \$10-\$70. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. keplers.org

Paul McHugh Spy-noir night with investigative journalist and author Paul McHugh discusses his new thriller, "The Blind Pool." Sept. 8, 7-9 p.m. Free. Books Inc., 74 Town & Country Village, 855 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. Search booksinc.net for more info.

Family

The Beetlelady For children in kindergarten and older. Search for hidden bugs, play with warning coloration, meet live arthropods and learn how bugs defend themselves. Aug. 31, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free. Portola Valley Library, 765 Portola Road, Portola Valley.

Jungle James Reptile Show See and learn about wild reptiles from around the world. Best for ages 3 and up. Aug. 30, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside.

Free concert with Karla Kane

Local musician Karla Kane and accompanist husband Khoi Huynh of Redwood City and Mark and Helen Luker of Nottingham, England, will give a free concert of original folk and indie-pop songs at the Menlo Park Library (701 Laurel St.) on Saturday, Sept. 2, from 11 a.m. to noon. Ms. Kane's solo album of acoustic songs will debut Oct. 6.



Photo by Richard Youell

Art

Portola Art Gallery: — Floral Paintings in Oil by Linda Salter In the spirit of the "Summer of Love," the exhibit features a variety of flower paintings. Month of September, Monday-Saturday, 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Free. Reception: Sept. 23, 1-4 p.m. Portola Art Gallery, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park. portolaartgallery.com

Reinstallation of the Cantor's Rodin Galleries to mark centenary of the death of sculptor Auguste Rodin (France, 1840-1917). Ongoing, starting Sept. 6, Wednesday-Monday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford.

Film

Menlo Movie Series: 'Doctor Strange' Free outdoor movies in downtown Menlo Park. "Doctor Strange" (PG-13, 115 minutes). Viewers can bring a chair, blanket and snacks to enjoy a free community movie night with friends and family. Sept. 1, 8-10 p.m. Free. Downtown Menlo Park Paseo, Curtis Street at Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo Park.

Movie Night: 'Frida', biopic drama about painter Frida Kahlo. Rated R. Sept. 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free. Menlo Park Library, 800 Alma St., Menlo Park. menlopark.org/frida

Food & Drink

Morning Tea at the Library All are invited to drop in for a cup of tea, a tasty treat and read one of the library's many magazines as they gaze out at the beautiful hills. Wednesdays in August, 11 a.m.-noon. Free. Portola Valley Library, 765 Portola Road, Portola Valley.

Morning Tea at the Library The library invites readers to drop in for a cup of tea, a tasty treat as they read one of its many magazines and gaze out at the beautiful

garden. Fridays, ongoing, 11 a.m.-noon. Free. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside.

Teen Lounge For tweens and teens in 6th grade and up, this is a place to lounge and eat some snacks — just for teens. #teenlounge. Aug. 30, 2:30-4 p.m. Aug. 31, 2:30-4 p.m. Free. Portola Valley Library, 765 Portola Road, Portola Valley.

Lessons & Classes

Art of Chinese Brush Painting Hands-on brush painting workshop with Asian Art Museum docent and artist Pauline Tsui will explore how to paint flowers, fruits and Chinese zodiac animals. Each participant will learn basic brush strokes and create a painting to take home. Sept. 13, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free. Atherton Library, 2 Dinkelspiel Station Lane, Atherton. Search eventbrite.com for more info.

Hands-on-History: Catrinas Art Workshop The San Mateo County History Museum will present Maestra Lourdes Morantes, Casa Circulo Cultural's art teacher, who will conduct a workshop instructing participants on how to paint Catrinas. Sept. 9, 1-4 p.m. \$15, museum members; \$20, non-members. San Mateo County History Museum, 2200 Broadway, Redwood City. historysmc.org/hoh

Teens

GoGo Craft: DIY Wood Coasters In this workshop taught by GoGo Craft, participants explore fun techniques for painting on wood. Creations can be turned into a drink coaster. Tips, tricks and materials provided. Call library at (650) 851-0147 or email woodsidesmcl.org to register. Aug. 31, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free. Woodside Library, 3140 Woodside Road, Woodside.

Religion & Spirituality

"A Safe Place: Confronting Child Abuse in Your Corner of the World," offers tips for

recognizing signs of child abuse and ways to prevent it. Sept. 13, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Free. Bethany, 1095 Cloud Ave., Menlo Park. facebook.com/LTCMenloPark

"Concussions" Filmed interview with former NFL tight end Ben Utecht, who suffered five confirmed concussions during his career. Participants share ideas to reduce the risk of concussions in sports at all levels. Aug. 30, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Free. Bethany, 1095 Cloud Ave., Menlo Park. vimeo.com/158644949

Et Alla

Changes Coming to San Mateo County Elections Susie Raye will explain the changes and give information about the upcoming public hearings where community members can participate in planning the system. Sept. 6, 7-9 p.m. Free, open to the public; Wheelchair accessible. Woodside Road United Methodist Church, 2000 Woodside Road, Redwood City. smcdfa.org/calendar

Lebanese Festival features traditional Lebanese sweets, dedicated play area for children, booths for shopping, raffle tickets to win prizes, food, dancing and Lebanese and Arab performers. Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Free. Downtown Redwood City, 2200 Broadway St., Redwood City. Search facebook.com for more info.

Chamber Business Alliance is a group of small business entrepreneurs that meets to share info and referrals. First and third Thursdays, July 7-Dec. 15, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Free. Chamber of Commerce Conference Room, 1100 Merrill St., Menlo Park.

Bicycle Sunday takes riders down a stretch of Canada Road closed near the Filoli entrance and state Highway 92. Bring your own water. Sundays, July 2-Oct. 15, 9 a.m. Free. Canada Road, between the Filoli entrance and Highway 92, Redwood City. Search redwoodcity.org for more info.

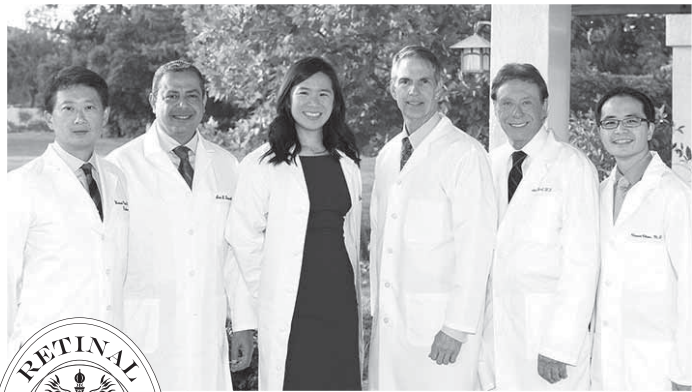
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Kings Mountain Art Fair returns

As the sun sets a bit more to the south with each day, signaling the approach of autumn, a group of artists and craftspeople prepare to display fine art at the 54th Kings Mountain Art Fair over the Labor Day holiday, this year on Sept. 2, 3 and 4 (Saturday, Sunday and Monday).

The three-day juried fair is held in the redwoods about 30 miles south of San Francisco, at the Kings Mountain Firehouse and Community

Center at 13889 Skyline Blvd. in Woodside.

This year, more than 135 artists will show work in a variety of mediums. There will be children's games and activities, breakfast and lunch from the grill, and shuttle service to and from designated parking areas along Skyline.

The Kings Mountain fair was rated among the top five fine-art fairs in the state in 2015, according to fair organizers.

The event runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Proceeds benefit the Kings Mountain Volunteer Fire Brigade and the Kings Mountain Elementary School, a three-room school for kindergarten through fifth-grade students.

Bicyclists will find bike racks. Pets are not allowed, given the fragility of some of the art.

Go to kingsmountainartfair.org for more information, or call (650) 851-2710.

Sports

M-A runs out of time in football loss to Bellarmine

By Glenn Reeves

Palo Alto Weekly

Go to PASportsOnline.com for more local sports news.

Menlo-Atherton fell behind for the first time with 1:33 left in its season-opening football game with Bellarmine at Friday at home. And with so little time left there wasn't much the Bears could do to alter the outcome.

But that didn't stop them from trying.

With a 29-yard pass completion on fourth-and-10 from Miles Conrad to Troy Franklin and a 30-yard completion from Conrad to Nick Anderson, M-A had improbably advanced the ball to the Bellarmine 6-yard line with 4.1 seconds left.

It was a fourth-and-1 situation. But with a five-point deficit a field goal attempt was not an option. So when Conrad's desperation pass intended for Franklin in the end zone sailed incomplete, M-A's last-ditch effort had fallen short and Bellarmine emerged with a 21-16 victory.

The same result occurred in last year's season opener, a game Bellarmine won 34-20. The Bears, however, turned the tables with a 21-0 win over the Bells in the CCS semifinals and went on to win the CCS Open Division I championship. They can only hope to get another shot at Bellarmine later this season.

On this occasion Bellarmine was the more disciplined and better conditioned team. M-A was penalized 10 times for 87 yards; Bellarmine just three times for 25 yards.

"We didn't execute and made a lot of mental mistakes," Menlo-Atherton coach Adhir Ravipati said. "Hopefully this humbles us a little bit and makes us work on the little things."

Late in the game when Bellarmine rallied to take the lead the Bells were firing off the line of scrimmage while M-A's defensive line looked fatigued.

"That was a huge factor in the game," Bellarmine coach Mike Janda said.

M-A couldn't have been happier about the way the game began. Bellarmine kicked off to start the game. Anderson received the kick, dropped the ball, picked it up, and ran 98 yards for a touchdown.

Bellarmino squib kicked the rest of the game.

"He's an exciting player, a dynamic weapon," Ravipati said of Anderson.

Bellarmino tied it on a 45-yard touchdown run by Austin Ajiake, who carried 29 times for 176 yards and scored all three Bellarmine touchdowns.

M-A went back on top 10-7 on



Photo by Bob Dahlberg

Spencer Corona kicked a 43-yard field goal for the Bears.

a 43-yard field goal by Spencer Corona with 8:32 left in the second quarter.

M-A's defense forced a three-and-out to start the third quarter and on the first offensive play of the second half Conrad completed a long pass to Franklin who fumbled the ball forward into the end zone where it was recovered for a touchdown by fellow receiver Joey Olshausen.

That gave M-A a nine-point lead.

Bellarmino again was forced to punt and M-A put together a 14-play, time-consuming possession that took the game into the

fourth quarter, but ended with no points for the Bears on a bad snap on a field-goal attempt.

That seemed to give the Bells momentum and they went 89 yards in six plays for a touchdown to make the score 16-14.

And then Bellarmine's Anthony Magri made an interception of a deflected pass and returned it 22 yards to the M-A 28 with 5:42 left. Nine running plays later Ajiake plunged in from the 1-yard line to give the Bells their first lead of the game.

Conrad carried 13 times for 51 yards and completed 11 of 25 passes for 198 yards. Kilifi

Leaetao gained 56 yards on eight carries. Franklin, a freshman playing his first high school game, was the leading receiver with five catches for 103 yards. Corona had four grabs for 61 yards. ■

Woodside starts strong but can't finish in opener

By Rick Chandler

Palo Alto Weekly

There's a lot of things to like about Woodside's football team; it's just that there aren't enough of them.

After a first half in which they dominated on defense and put together one great drive on offense, the Wildcats fell apart, mostly due to fatigue. Visiting Capuchino scored three touchdowns in the fourth quarter to take a 26-13 win in a non-league opener for both teams on Friday night.

"We're green and we're light on numbers," said Woodside head coach Justin Andrews, who had only 23 players suit up for the game. "Tonight it was injuries. We need people

back. And we need some of those fresh faces who are here to mature."

Case in point: Quarterback Joseph King. The ultra-talented junior (who is also a standout pitcher on the baseball team) looked fantastic at times. He ran for 101 yards and passed for 98 with one touchdown.

But at other times he looked impatient, and his coach said he needs to dial it down from an 11 to an 8 (our words).

"Joseph plays well when things break down," Andrews said. "His scrambles kept us in the game. But he also needs to develop consistency."

An example of how good King can be came on the first play of the game, when he took a keeper 49 yards to set up his team's first

TD. The play conjured comparisons with former Woodside great -- dare we say it? -- Julian Edleman.

But Woodside could sustain little else on offense, and the Mustangs won the battle of the lines in the second half. Rugged fullback Jean Paul Kefu had 75

yards on only four carries -- three of them for touchdowns.

Woodside was led by King and receiver Luis Robles (four catches for 52 yards), and on defense by lineman Christian Ochoa (two sacks, nine tackles) and linebacker Bryan Ledesma. ■

More sports news online

Go to PASportsOnline.com for more sports news, including stories on the topics below. Enter the web address (in bold at the end of each paragraph) to find the story.

■ The Menlo-Atherton girls' tennis team showed off its depth and rallied to win a big tennis match. **is.gd/tennis24**

■ The Sacred Heart Prep girls' volleyball team won four of five matches at the Milpitas Spikefest I on Saturday and won the bronze division title. **is.gd/volley27**

■ Keyshawn Ashford scored five touchdowns, Jaeden Barker added a pair of scores and the Priory 8-man football team opened its season with a 72-0 victory over visiting Cornerstone Christian on Friday. **is.gd/priory25**

■ Menlo School opened the season with a 16-9 loss to host East Nicolaus. Sacred Heart Prep dropped its opener to San Benito, 28-21. **is.gd/opener25** (Prep roundup; page down to see details.)

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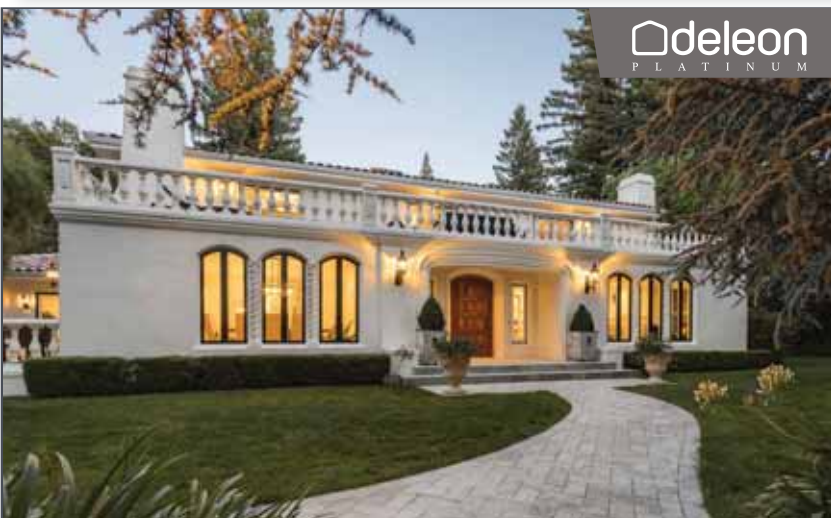
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WOODSIDE

Burglaries:

■ Thieves entered a home in the 100 block of Openup Road and stole jewelry and personal electronics while the residents were inside sleeping. No estimate on losses. Aug. 26 or 27.
 ■ A home on Greenways Drive was found rummaged through but with nothing reported missing. Aug. 23.

ATHERTON

Attempted burglary: A would-be burglar fled when a maid confronted him as he had pried open a window screen of the master bedroom of a home on Broadacres Road. The man has a dark complexion with shoulder length curly hair and wearing a navy blue shirt. Aug. 18.

Theft: Someone stole a wallet and food that was inside a black plastic bag and underneath a desk at Menlo College on El Camino Real. The wallet was later turned in minus the cash inside. Aug. 23.

MENLO PARK

Fraud: A resident of Yale Road, responding to someone she'd met online asking for help with an alleged construction business in Great Britain, wired \$80,000 to that person after being promised she'd be paid back. After some research, she determined that she'd been defrauded. Aug. 22.

Battery: A woman in an older gray two-door Honda sprayed mace into the face of a Facebook security officer at Hacker Way after he walked over to her vehicle to ask her to move out of the way of a Facebook tram. The driver, described as 20 to 25 years old and black with a skinny build, was wearing blue jeans and a gray shirt. The security officer was wearing sunglasses, which protected his eyes, but he experienced a burning sensation around his mouth, police said. Aug. 18.

Commercial burglaries:

■ Someone smashed a window at Spaces Menlo Park, a provider of work spaces on Jefferson Drive, and stole a pair of sunglasses and a laptop computer. Estimated loss: \$2,104. Aug. 24.
 ■ A thief broke the front window of Beverages and More at 700 El Camino Real, entered the store, broke a glass case and

stole four bottles of cognac. Estimated loss: \$362. Aug. 26.

■ Someone tried to pry open a door at the Shuman Snyder law firm on Middlefield Road. The door was damaged, but not opened. Aug. 21.

Residential burglaries:

■ A thief entered an unlocked apartment on Haven Avenue and stole a laptop computer, jewelry, perfume and clothes. Estimated loss: \$3,970. Aug. 25.

■ Someone rummaged through a home on Greenwood Place and stole Social Security cards, medications, a pillow case and jewelry. Estimated loss: \$2,563. Aug. 25.

■ A resident of Windermere Avenue told police she had been intoxicated when she invited someone she doesn't remember into her home, and that this guest stole her laptop, wallet and costume jewelry. Estimated loss: \$672. Aug. 26.

Auto burglaries:

■ Someone smashed a window on a vehicle parked on Terminal Avenue and stole a pair of prescription sunglasses. Estimated loss: \$600. Aug. 26.

■ A vehicle parked on Clayton Drive was broken into and goods stolen, but police have no record of what was taken or its value. Aug. 24.

Thefts:

■ Police reported eight stolen bicycles in the last week: four from apartment complexes on Hamilton Avenue, Waverley Street and Coleman Place; three from bike racks on Santa Cruz Avenue and at Hillview Middle School on Elder Avenue; and one from a carport on Roble Avenue. Estimated losses: \$1,500, \$550, \$500, \$300, \$750, \$600, \$500 and \$340. Aug. 21-24.

■ Someone stole a cellphone from the pocket of an unattended jacket. Middle Avenue. Estimated loss: \$700. Aug. 24.

■ A package of clothing was stolen from the front door of a home on Artisan Way. Estimated loss: \$280. Aug. 22.

Stolen vehicles:

■ A green 1997 Acura Integra from the 1400 block of Willow Road. Aug. 23.

■ A white 2014 Toyota Tundra truck from O'Connor Street. Aug. 21.

New president-rector at St. Patrick's Seminary

By Kate Bradshaw

Almanac Staff Writer

■ BRIEFS

St. Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park welcomed its 17th president-rector, the Rev. George E. Schultze, at a Mass ceremony to launch its new academic year on Aug. 21.

The event also marked the introduction of a new class of 20 seminarians, the seminary's largest class since 2013. The group represent eight dioceses from the West Coast and Pacific region, and 11 dioceses overall. Two seminarians are from Korea, a first for the 118-year-old seminary.

Located at 320 Middlefield Road, the seminary currently has 56 seminarians.

Fr. Schultze, a Jesuit, is a native of Mountain View and has served as spiritual director

and on the faculty at St. Patrick's for more than a decade.

He has a Ph.D from the University of Southern California in philosophy, theology and ethics, and a degree in industrial and labor relations from Cornell University.

He has served on the faculty and staff of the University of San Francisco, currently serves on the board of Catholic Charities of the East Bay, and is an adviser to Catholics for the Common Good. ■



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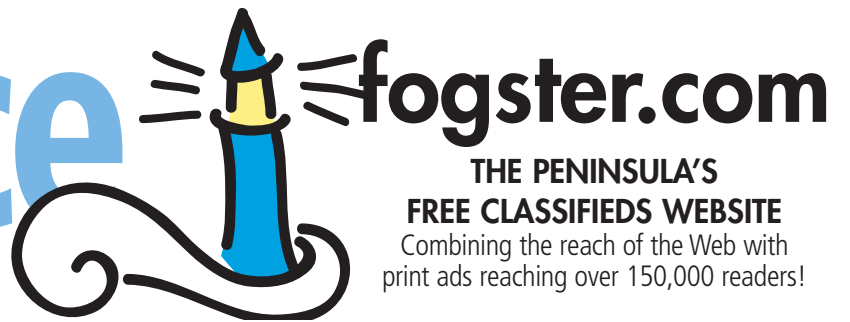
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**995 Fictitious Name
Statement**

**SUPER DISCOUNT LIQUOR & FOOD
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**
File No.: 274516
The following person (persons) is (are)
doing business as:
Super Discount Liquor & Food, located
at 850 Brewster Ave., Redwood City, CA
94063, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
MJ FOOD & LIQUOR
2476 Amaryl Dr.
San Jose, CA 95132
This business is conducted by: A
Corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact
business under the fictitious business
name(s) listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the
County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo
County on August 2, 2017.
(ALM Aug. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2017)

**F.D. WOODS CUSTODIAL SERVICE
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**
File No.: 274543
The following person (persons) is (are)
doing business as:
F.D. Woods Custodial Service, located
at 580 El Camino Real, San Carlos, CA
94070, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
FREDERICK D. WOODS
1538 Newcomb St.
San Francisco, CA 94124
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 August 8, 2017.
(ALM Aug. 16, 23, 30; Sept. 6, 2017)

**NUAD BORAN THERAPEUTIC
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**
File No.: 274644
The following Person(s) is (are) doing
business as:
Nuad Boran Therapeutic, located at
3536 Alameda De Las Pulgas, Woodside,
CA 94025, San Mateo County. Mailing
Address: PO Box 620212, Woodside,
CA 94062.
Is (Are) hereby registered by the follow-
ing owner(s):
PROUD THAI MASSAGE, LLC
PO Box 620212
Woodside, CA 94062
This business is conducted by: Limited
Liability Company.
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 August 15, 2017.
(ALM Aug. 23, 30; Sept. 6, 13, 2017)

**RAISING FLOORS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**
File No.: 274686
The following person (persons) is (are)
doing business as:
Raising Floors, located at 1215 Norton
St., San Mateo CA 94401, San Mateo
County.
Registered owner(s):
Luis Rivas Diaz
1215 Norton St.
San Mateo, CA 94401
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 August 17, 2017.
(ALM Aug. 23, 30; Sept. 6, 13, 2017)

**CARLA DIEZ-CANSECO HUMAN
RESOURCES CONSULTING
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**
File No.: 274742
The following person(s) is (are) doing
business as: Carla Diez-Canseco Human
Resources Consulting, located at 2199
Cedar Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025,
San Mateo County.
Is (Are) hereby registered by the follow-
ing owner(s):
CARLA DIEZ-CANSECO
2199 Cedar Avenue
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 08/01/2017.
This statement was filed with the
County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo
County on August 23, 2017.
(ALM Aug. 30; Sept. 6, 13, 20, 2017)

997 All Other Legals

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER
ESTATE OF:**
MICHAEL D. PRESCOTT
Case No.: 17PRO00828
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors,
contingent creditors, and persons who
may otherwise be interested in the
will or estate, or both, of MICHAEL D.
PRESCOTT.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by:
KATHLEEN PRESCOTT in the Superior
Court of California, County of SAN
MATEO.
The Petition for Probate requests that:
KATHLEEN PRESCOTT 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 per-
sonal representative will be required to
give notice to interested persons unless
they have waived notice or consented
to the proposed action.) The independ-
ent 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 September 13, 2017 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 peti-
tion, 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 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 knowledge-
able 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:
H. Steven Burnside
2211 Park Boulevard
Palo Alto, CA 94306
(650)328-2214
(ALM Aug. 16, 23, 30, 2017)

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER
ESTATE OF:**
JANET HETHERINGTON, Spouse
Case No.: 17PRO00714
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors,
contingent creditors, and persons
who may otherwise be interested in
the will or estate, or both, of JANET
HETHERINGTON.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by:
MICHAEL HETHERINGTON, Spouse in the
Superior Court of California, County of
SAN MATEO.
The Petition for Probate requests that:
MICHAEL HETHERINGTON 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 per-
sonal representative will be required to
give notice to interested persons unless
they have waived notice or consented
to the proposed action.) The independ-
ent 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 September 29, 2017 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 peti-
tion, you should appear at the hearing
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(ALM Aug. 23, 30; Sept. 6, 2017)

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