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Grand jury: Menlo fire district not prepared to deal with growth

By Barbara Wood

Almanac Staff Writer

A report by the San Mateo County Civil Grand Jury on July 12 questions whether the Menlo Park Fire Protection District is prepared to meet challenges brought on by rapid development and population growth within the district, criticizing the district for lacking long-term strategic and fiscal planning.

The 96-page report concludes the district is ill-equipped to deal with the massive changes taking place within the district's boundaries, an area that includes Menlo Park, East Palo Alto, Atherton and adjacent unincorporated San Mateo areas including North Fair Oaks and West Menlo Park.

In announcing the report, Grand Jury Foreperson Richard Edminster said in a press release that "the district's firefighters perform their duties admirably every day, and the community can have great confidence in their skills and abilities."

"However," he said, "the district's board has failed to perform even the most basic strategic and financial planning the community reasonably expects from a public agency with an annual budget of nearly \$55 million."

District Chief Harold Schapelhouman said in a statement released Thursday afternoon that the district will carefully review and respond to the report within the 90 days given to public

agencies to respond to grand jury reports. "As always, we seek constructive input on our services to the residents of our communities and appreciate the Grand Jury's recommendations," Schapelhouman said.

He said the board, chief and staff "are committed to a fully transparent, engaged and inclusive discussion and public review" of the grand jury's findings and recommendations.

No strategic planning

The grand jury report notes that the district has operated without a strategic plan since at least 2010.

"The absence of a multiyear strategic plan hinders the District's evaluations of future demand for services, revenue streams and resource needs, and denies the public the opportunity to measure the District's progress in achieving stated goals," it says.

The report lays the blame for the lack of long-term planning on the independent district's governing board, which currently is made up of President Chuck Bernstein, and members Peter Carpenter, Rob Silano, Virginia Chang Kiraly and Robert Jones.

"The district's governing board is ultimately responsible for the failure to dedicate adequate resources to the planning process, and the failure to develop a multi-year strategic plan which includes a financial analysis component," the report says.

When reached mid-day July 12, Bernstein said he and other board



Almanac file photo

A grand jury report says this house at 28 Almedral Ave. in Atherton was purchased by the Menlo Park Fire Protection District for \$4.6 million only months after a district consultant said the fire station next door (to the left in this photo) should be moved to a new location.

members had received the grand jury report from Schapelhouman late on July 10, but work responsibilities had kept him from being able to read it closely or look at all its exhibits.

However, he said, some of the issues in the report "are things that we're talking about that are being done and need to be done." He said the board will probably not discuss the report until its August meeting, because the July 24 meeting has a full agenda.

He agreed that "the board of directors is the ultimate authority in the fire district," and a strategic plan is one of its responsibilities.

Bernstein said that while the district doesn't have a strategic plan the Strategic Planning Committee, made up of himself, board member Carpenter and

Menlo Park resident Sean Ballard, has been meeting monthly since December.

Board members agreed at their June meeting to schedule a board study session devoted to strategic planning, which Bernstein said should take place by August.

"We need and want to have a strategic plan. That's happening," he said.

Impact fees

The report calls out several district missteps stemming from the lack of long-term planning, including the inability to get the county, Menlo Park, Atherton and East Palo Alto to approve the district's request to impose impact fees on new development to go into the district's coffers.

"Without a strategic and

financial plan showing a need, the District was unsuccessful in its attempt to gain impact fees on development projects," the report says. By state law, municipal or county government must impose impact fees for a special district.

After the impact fee failure, "the district developed a go it alone philosophy in its relationship with local governments," the report says. "The current relationship between the District Board and local governments has been described as strained, contentious and unproductive," it says.

Ethical issues

The district's subsequent decision to negotiate directly with major developers "raises ethical

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Town volunteer, mentor Marilyn Walter dies

By Dave Boyce

Almanac Staff Writer

A memorial service for Marilyn Janet Walter, a longtime resident of Portola Valley and for many years a member of the town's Conservation Committee, is set for 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 19, at Christ Church at 815 Portola Road in Portola Valley.

Walter died on May 29 at the age of 92. Her granddaughter Christianne Walter said her grandmother lived her life in accord with the precept "The charm of life is in its living," guidance she is said to have remembered from high school. "Throughout all her adventures, she lived each day the best way she knew how," her granddaughter said.

"She was a real mentor for me,"

said Danna Breen, a Portola Valley resident and also a volunteer in town government. "Such an elegant, poised person, with a strong presence. Kind of impeccable. She just presented fabulously."

Breen recalled Walter attending a Town Council meeting on a day that happened to be her 80th birthday, and the council celebrating by singing to her. The council adjourned its meeting on Wednesday, July 11, with a brief tribute to Walter.

A native of Tacoma, Washington, Walter graduated from Annie Wright Seminary high school in Tacoma and from Barnard College in New York City.

She met and married Carroll Harding Walter, and the couple spent 11 years in and around South America — including time in Panama, Peru, Brazil,

Argentina and Chile. They then lived in Seattle and Montreal, moving to Portola Valley in 1968. The couple had three sons.

Marilyn Walter believed that 'the charm of life is in its living,' her granddaughter Christianne said.

Walter enjoyed being outdoors and "hiked her way across the continents," Christianne Walter said. Her grandmother cared deeply about education, she said, and "quietly helped promising youth with their schooling both in the U.S. and during her time in South America."

Upon the opening in town of

the environmentally conscious residential community of Portola Valley Ranch in 1976, Walter moved in as the first resident, and acted as the community's sales agent, welcoming committee and trail guardian, her granddaughter said.

Dieter Walz, a member of the Conservation Committee since its launch some 50 years ago, said he remembers Walter as "really open-minded," thoughtful, non-confrontational and someone who took the long view on issues.

"She was a kind and very contributing member," and was particularly aware of the importance of the town's tree canopy, Walz said.

Walter was preceded in death by her husband, and her brother John Joseph Muckey. She is survived by her sons Jeffrey



Photo by Virginia Bacon

Marilyn Walter was the first resident of Portola Valley Ranch.

Walter and Andrew Walter of Carmel, and Matthew Walter of San Francisco, as well as three grandchildren.

The family asks that donations in Walter's memory be made to the Peninsula Open Space Trust at 222 High St. in Palo Alto, 94301. ▣



RESOLUTION NO. 2104 (2018)

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO ANNEX CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE WEST BAY SANITARY DISTRICT ON-SITE WASTEWATER DISPOSAL ZONE

Lands of Harrosh

The District Board of West Bay Sanitary District finds and determines as follows:

A. This Resolution of Intention is adopted pursuant to the District's "Zone Master Annexation Resolution" ("ZOMAR"), which was adopted by the District Board August 12, 1996. The provisions of ZOMAR are incorporated by reference into this Resolution of Intention.

B. The District has received an application to annex a parcel of real property (the "Parcel") to the District's On-Site Wastewater Disposal Zone (the "Zone"). The Parcel is described in Exhibit "A" attached to this Resolution of Intention and the description contained in the Exhibits are incorporated by reference. The name and address of the applicants and the number, type, volume and location of on-site wastewater disposal systems which are proposed to operate on the parcels to be annexed are described in Exhibit "B" attached to this Resolution of Intention and the information contained in the Exhibit are incorporated by reference.

C. The applicants have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the District Board that the Parcel constitutes "real property" for the purposes of Section 2(b) of ZOMAR in that:

[X] All of the conditions described in Subsections i., ii., iii., iv. and v. of ZOMAR Section 2(b) are satisfied; or

Other conditions exist which demonstrate that the Parcel will benefit directly or indirectly from the activities of the Zone. If applicable, those conditions are also set forth in Exhibit "B" and are incorporated by reference.

D. All of the conditions and requirements of ZOMAR Sections 2(a), 2(c), 2(d) and 2(e) have been fully satisfied.

In consideration of the foregoing findings and determinations,

IT IS RESOLVED by the District Board as follows:

1. It is the intention of the District Board to annex the Parcel to the Zone pursuant to the provisions of ZOMAR and applicable provisions of law.

2. In conjunction with a meeting of the District Board to be duly and regularly called and conducted, the Board will conduct a Public Hearing for the purpose of considering all matters pertaining to this Resolution of Intention.

The time, date and place of the Public Hearing are:

Date: August 22, 2018
Time: 7:00 PM
Place: West Bay Sanitary District Offices
500 Laurel Street
Menlo Park, CA 94025

At the Public Hearing, all interested persons will be heard.

3. This Resolution of Intention shall be published and copies shall be delivered to the persons and entities as specified in ZOMAR Section 2(e)(i).

4. A true copy of this Resolution of Intention shall promptly be filed for record in the office of the County Recorder of the County of San Mateo.

5. The District Manager shall cause the matters set forth in Sections 3 and 4 of this Resolution of Intention to be completed as directed.

Exhibit A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION
ANNEXATION TO WEST BAY SANITARY DISTRICT LANDS OF HARROSH AND A PORTION OF CHEROKEE WAY TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY, SAN MATEO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

All that certain real property situate in the Town of Portola Valley, County of San Mateo, State of California, being all of Lot 3, Block 2 and a portion of Cherokee Way as shown on that certain Map entitled "Tract No. 814, Arrowhead Meadows Unit No. 6", which Map was filed for record on November 29, 1963, in Book 59 of Maps at Pages 18 and 19 in the Office of the Recorder of said County and State, and being more particularly described as follows:

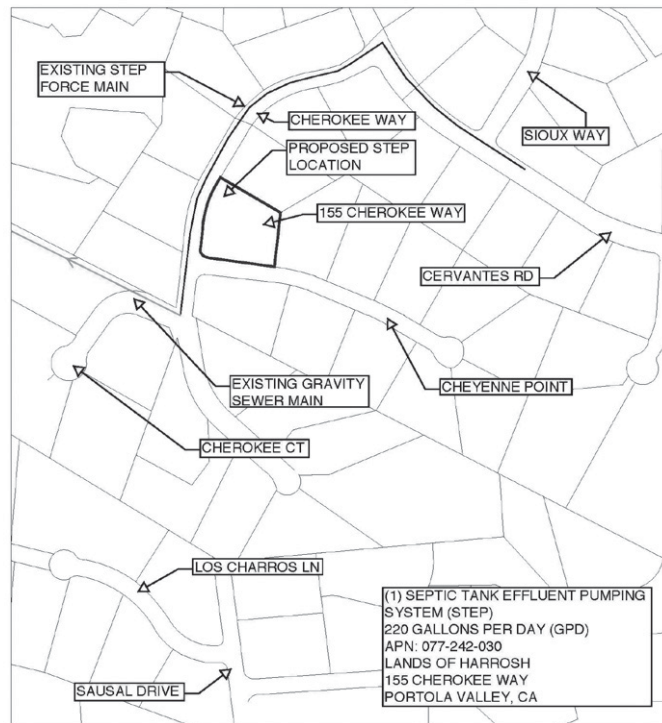
- BEGINNING at the southeasterly corner of the West Bay Sanitary District adopted April 12, 1993, by Resolution No. 1210, said corner being the most northerly corner of said Lot 3;
1. Thence along the southeasterly line of the West Bay Sanitary District and the northwesterly line of said Lot 3 and its southwesterly prolongation South 60°09'00", West 255.81 feet to the southwesterly right-of-way line of Cherokee Way as shown on said Map;
2. Thence along said right-of-way line South 29°51'00" East 31.35 feet to the beginning of tangent curve to the left having a radius of 325.00 feet
3. Thence southeasterly along said curve and right-of-way line through a central angle of 23°35'28" a distance of 133.82 feet;
4. Thence tangent from said curve along said right-of-way line South 53°26'28" East 77.41 feet;
5. Thence leaving said right-of-way line North 36°33'32" East 50.00 feet to the southeasterly line of said Lot 3 and the beginning of a non-tangent curve concave to the north having a radius of 20.00 feet, a radial line from said point having a bearing of North 36°33'32" East;
6. Thence easterly along said curve of Lot 3 through a central angle of 90°00'00" a distance of 31.42 feet;
7. Thence tangent from said curve along the southeasterly line of said Lot 3 North 36°33'32" East 200.70 feet to the beginning of tangent curve to the right having a radius of 425.00 feet;
8. Thence northeasterly along said curve through a central angle of 0°46'24" a distance of 5.74 feet to the most easterly corner of said Lot 3;
9. Thence along the northeasterly line of said Lot 3 North 54°17'46" West 153.89 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.
Containing an area of 55,210 square feet, more or less.

The herein described annexation parcel is shown on the attached map of this legal description, Page 3 of 3, and is made a part hereof.
Description prepared by MacLeod and Associates, Inc.
Date: March 16, 2018



Exhibit B

SITE LOCATION
155 CHEROKEE WAY
PORTOLA VALLEY, CA
SEPTIC TANK EFFLUENT PUMPING (STEP) SYSTEM



(1) SEPTIC TANK EFFLUENT PUMPING SYSTEM (STEP)
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LANDS OF HARROSH
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For locals considering running for elective office, here are a few dates worth marking.

■ Monday, July 16, to Friday, August 10: Prospective candidates must file paperwork, including nomination papers and declarations of candidacy.

■ Thursday, July 26: The San

Mateo County Elections Division will host a candidate seminar starting at 2 p.m. at 40 Tower Road in San Mateo, followed immediately by a voter data seminar at 3:30 p.m.

■ Thursday, Aug. 16: The Secretary of State and county elections offices will hold a randomized

drawing to determine which names will appear first and which letters will be assigned to measures on the upcoming November ballot.

Go to is.gd/candidateinfo497 to access the county's full candidate guide.

— By Kate Bradshaw

GRAND JURY

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issues," the report says.

"The District exercises enforcement of local and state ordinances and statutes, and reviews the construction plans of businesses located within its boundaries, including Facebook, for compliance with applicable codes," the report says.

"Accepting donations of cash, or soliciting impact fees directly from these businesses, can create the appearance of favorable treatment or disparate application of rules and laws," it says.

Bernstein said the district has made at least three agreements with developers for impact fees. "We went directly to the developers," he said.

That money is in a separate account and "we are only going to spend (those funds) on things that are growth-related," he said.

Real estate purchases

The report also questions the district's recent real estate purchases. "Without a strategic plan showing any present or future need for the properties, the District purchased five properties for cash exceeding \$21.9 million in the last two years," the report says.

It calls out the purchase of a single-family home at 28 Alameda Ave. in Atherton for \$4.6 million in cash in June 2017, just months after the district's board had unanimously approved a consultant's report recommending that the fire station next door to the house "be relocated to improve service coverage in the area," the report says.

That Citygate "standards of coverage" report, which looked at how to provide the most rapid response throughout the district, "concluded that the first step in developing a plan for station relocation was to move" the Alameda Avenue fire station, the grand jury report says.

Moving the Alameda station "to the west is the first step or the 'key to the door.' If that relocation becomes possible, the other sites more readily fall into place," the Citygate report said.

The report cites the lack of follow-through on board requests or resolutions made regarding the Citygate report, including

that the chief provide an updated long-term districtwide fire station and land acquisition plan.

"Instead, District documents show that less than 3 months after the Board accepted the Citygate Report, the Fire Chief rejected Citygate's recommendation to move Station #3," the report says. It says Schapelhouman sent an email to Atherton City Manager George Rodericks on May 2, 2017, saying: "The Fire District has absolutely NO PLANS to close or MOVE Fire Station 3 in Atherton!"

The report says the purchase of the Alameda property "was reactive to learning that the property became available for sale rather than an implementation of a plan."

No clear plan

The report also says "the district does not appear to have had a clear plan for how it would use the property" when it was purchased. Schapelhouman confirmed the district is still working to make that decision.

In December the Board allocated \$500,000 for site and building improvements for the property. By February, district personnel were living in the house, the grand jury report says.

Schapelhouman said the district has not yet spent any money on the property, and is exploring options including tearing down the house, moving it and building a new modular building further back on the lot, or doing nothing.

The house, he said, "needs lots of work to publicly rent it."

Bernstein said the house is going to be rented on the open market, as the board had originally directed. Currently, "it's not supposed to be being used for anything," he said. "Nothing's been authorized by the board."

However, Bernstein said, buying the property does not mean the district has ruled out moving the Atherton station. Buying the property is an opportunity for the district to "park some of its money" in a property that it could later use to expand the Alameda station, or sell to buy property elsewhere.

"I don't think it's an unwise investment," Bernstein said.

The report also says "the

district has pursued accreditation since 2011," but has failed to achieve it, in main part because it does not have a strategic plan, a requirement of accreditation by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International.

Bernstein said the district is continuing to work on accreditation and "we expect to have it done within two years. It's typically a two-year process," he said. Only 17 California fire agencies are accredited, he said.

Recommendations

The report's recommendations for the district are:

■ "Develop and maintain an effective multi-year strategic plan, and achieve accreditation."

■ "Ensure its administrative functions operate effectively regardless of competing priorities created by on-going emergency response operations."

■ "Engage with its local government partners to review District resources and determine if additional resources are required to maintain effective service levels."

■ "Review the consultant recommendations relative to the location of Station 3 and re-examine the basis for purchasing the Atherton property."

■ "Adopt a policy not to accept donations from companies or individuals with which the District has enforcement or inspection responsibilities over."

The report also says many people do not realize the fire district is an independent special district, not part of the city of Menlo Park, and that it needs to make that clear on its website, as well as explaining what a special district is.

In an email, Schapelhouman said the district "started working with the Civil Grand Jury over a year ago and have spent hundreds of hours providing them with information on every aspect of our operations. We responded to many records requests and sent out copious amounts of background information for their review. We also had face to face interviews. I'm pleased that they acknowledged that we provide exceptional service to the community related to our core mission which is the protection of life, property and the environment." ■

MONTHLY REAL ESTATE REVIEW WITH MANDY MONTOYA

June 2018



Compared to last year, the number of active and sold properties in all four cities has not changed significantly. Sample sizes are small, but Portola Valley bucked the trend of healthy sales price increases year/year. This may be due to several sales in the Ladera neighborhood. These homes are typically priced somewhat lower than central Portola Valley because of the smaller lot sizes.

Summer vacations typically create a slowdown in real estate sales but even now, there are new listings coming on the market every week. Many are being offered "off-MLS" during these quieter months. Less competition during this time can create great opportunities for serious buyers. Contact me for strategic guidance if you're thinking of buying or selling a home.

	June 2017		June 2018	
	# of Active/ # of Sold Homes	Average Sales Price*	# of Active / # of Sold Homes	Average Sales Price*
Atherton	28/13	\$5,502,538	25/6	\$7,748,333
Woodside	49/9	\$3,447,222	34/8	\$4,756,875
Portola Valley	14/8	\$3,378,755	22/8	\$3,028,750
Menlo Park	26/27	\$2,169,819	32/29	\$2,871,647

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PUBLIC NOTICE WOODSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the preliminary budget of Woodside Fire Protection District, for the FY 2018-2019 has been adopted by the Directors of said District, and is available at the Woodside Fire Admin Bldg. in Portola Valley, for inspection during the week commencing Monday, June 25, 2018. That on Monday, August 27, 2018 at 7 o'clock p.m. of said day at the, Woodside Fire Admin Bldg. in Portola Valley, the Board of Directors will meet for the purpose of finalizing the final budget, and any person may appear and be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item of the budget, or for the inclusion of any addition items.

Woodside Fire Protection District
by Fire Chief Daniel J. Ghiorso

TOWN OF WOODSIDE 2955 Woodside Road Woodside, CA 94062 NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Special and Regular Municipal Election will be held in the Town of Woodside on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, for the following Officers:

A member of the Town Council to fill the office now held by Deborah C. Gordon, from District 2, for a full term of four years expiring November 2022;

A member of the Town Council to fill the office now held by David Tanner, from District 4, for a full term of four years expiring November 2022;

A member of the Town Council to fill the office now held by Anne Kasten, from District 6, for a full term of four years expiring November 2022.

A member of the Town Council to fill the vacant office for District 7, for the remainder of a term expiring November 2020.

The filing period for candidates opens on Monday, July 16, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. and closes on Friday, August 10, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. If an incumbent fails to file his or her nomination by the close of filing on Friday, August 10, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. (the 88th day before the election), the filing period will be extended for five (5) days, ending Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. (the 83rd day before the election) to nominate candidates other than the person(s) who are the incumbents for that incumbent's elective office. This extension is not applicable where there is no appointed or elected incumbent eligible to be elected. If no one or only one person is nominated for an elective office, appointment to the elective office may be made as prescribed by Section 10229, Elections Code of the State of California.

All interested candidates must be registered voters of the Town of Woodside. Nomination papers for the elected position of Woodside Councilmember must be obtained from the City Clerk's office, 2955 Woodside Road, Woodside, California by appointment. For further information please contact Town Clerk Dora Wong Seamans at (650)-851-6790 or [dwong@woodsidetown.org](mailto:d Wong@woodsidetown.org).

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that voted Vote By Mail and Provisional Ballots for the Election held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, shall be tallied at the County of San Mateo, Registration & Elections Division at 40 Tower Road, San Mateo, CA 94402. The polls on Election Day will be open from the hour of 7:00 a.m., to the hour of 8:00 p.m.

Dora Wong Seamans, MPA, CMC, Town Clerk,
Town of Woodside
July 6, 2018

Portola Valley revises lighting policies

By Dave Boyce
Almanac Staff Writer

It's dark on moonless nights in Portola Valley, due in part to longstanding rules that discourage residents from the use of outdoor lights that interfere with pedestrians' views of the stars. Lights triggered by movements of people and other creatures have been particularly held in disfavor.

That touchstone is expected to fade away. Motion-sensitive lights are now encouraged by the Town Council, which on July 11 unanimously approved measures that update the town's residential design guidelines (by resolution) and the municipal code (by ordinance).

By its votes, the council took the first step of a two-step process to enact a new ordinance on outdoor lighting. The changes

go into effect 30 days after the council votes a second time on the ordinance, a step that usually takes place at the following council meeting.

Under current rules, motion sensors are associated with flood lights, which the guidelines call "inappropriate" and to be avoided. The new law will prohibit flood lights and encourage motion sensors to be used with low-intensity, downward-facing illumination that is sufficient to light a walkway or doorway. The sensors must not respond to movements beyond a property line, and must meet standards of the International Dark Sky Association.

The town will be applying for membership in the association, Town Hall staff said.

The legislation is the result of extended analysis by the town's Architectural & Site Control

Commission and the Planning Commission in the wake of two brutal home-invasion robberies.

The 2016 robberies triggered a community movement to improve safety and discourage crime. Cameras now record the license plates of every vehicle entering or leaving town, and residents have formed, so far, 32 neighborhood watch groups that cover about a third of all households, according to town spokesman Ali Taghavi.

No strings of lights

The revised residential design guidelines advise residents to restrict the use of lights to doorways and trash areas, to direct them inward toward a property's center rather than toward property lines, to use lights from the warmer end of

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When Rachel was a kid and telling stories about all the blood draws leaving scars on her arms, she realized this wasn't the childhood experience most other kids had. They fell out of trees and scrapped their knees but didn't usually endure years of being sick.

For almost 10 years, Rachel suffered with headaches, nausea, and dehydration. Sometimes she would just experience sensory overload with her family around, and have to tell them—“Okay, everyone has to be quiet now.”

For years, Rachel had been bounced from institution to institution, specialist to specialist, before an outside institution asked one of the specialists here at Stanford Health Care to take an active role in her care. Dr. Linda Nguyen, a gastroenterologist and hepatologist, began assessing her GI issues but had heard enough about spinal fluid leaks that she thought this could be the problem. Interestingly enough, Stanford's Dr. Ian Carroll, headache specialist and orofacial pain specialist, had just reached out to Dr. Nguyen sharing information about how some spinal leaks were characterized by chronic intractable nausea, in addition to ringing in the ears, vomiting, and headache. Dr. Carroll had collaborated with Stanford's Neuroradiology and Neurology Headache divisions to create the Stanford spinal cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) leak program—and immediately took an active interest in Rachel's case.

At 24, Rachel was on her fourth diagnosis and had been on headache medication for years when she met Dr. Carroll.

Recalls Rachel, “I don't think I'll ever forget doing the first diagnostic test where he just had me lie flat. It was really the first time my headache had ever gone away, and it was a huge a-ha moment for me.”

Rachel believes that had it not been for Stanford Health Care's mindset and Dr. Carroll's mindset as a doctor at Stanford, she would not have been diagnosed so quickly.

When Rachel first got the CSF diagnosis, she was hospitalized since she was having trouble getting out of bed. To treat the spinal fluid leak, Dr. Carroll performed what is called an epidural blood patch where the patient's own blood is injected around the bag of fluid that surrounds the spinal cord. This creates a seal and a scar over the part where the bag is torn. This helps the fluid stop leaking and can restore normal balance and normal pressure of the spinal fluid.

After her first blood patch, Rachel got substantially better, and Dr. Carroll was confident they were on the right path: “We want multiple dimensions across her life to be better so she can return to function, and do the things a young woman wants to do with her life instead of being engaged in the medical system on a semi-continuous basis.”

Dr. Carroll believes that spinal fluid leaks are often misdiagnosed, and more common than previously thought. He speaks from personal experience: his daughter had a spinal fluid leak that had gone undiagnosed for far too long until she got the right treatment. That's when he really began to think about the interplay of different syndromes and symptoms, and how important it was for a major academic medical center like Stanford to collaborate across departments.

Most at risk are those with Marfan and Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes, both connective tissue disorders. Orthostatic headache, or headache that is worse when upright, is a key feature of a spinal CSF leak, but is also a common feature in patients with postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome (POTS).

“Patients shouldn't have to wander from doctor to doctor until they randomly interact with a doctor

“Stanford Health Care's ability to give me answers has made a huge impact on my life.”

— Rachel

who happens to know that people with Marfan are at greater risk of developing a leak. After the personal experience I had with it, I started reaching out to the Stanford Headache Clinic, and the POTS and Marfan Clinics. Now we're all reading about it and it has created a great dialogue.” explains Dr. Carroll. “There is a place in our society for a group of doctors that want to see the most difficult cases, that want to spend their time reading about those cases and trying to develop new treatments for those cases and that place is Stanford.”

Dr. Carroll admits he gets invested in his client's wellbeing and says it helps him unlock his own internal resources and the institutional resources at Stanford.

Rachel had to laugh when Dr. Carroll insisted she watch three videos and read a paper about her procedure BEFORE he would even talk to her. But in the end, his advice was right: “He involved me a lot and kept me updated, which I really, really appreciate!”

Explains Rachel, “This blood patching thing, from a nerdy, scientific perspective, I think it is so fascinating. I love it.”

Two procedures later, Rachel's headaches aren't as common and the sensory overload feelings are subsiding. Best of all, her music-loving family ‘loves’ it when she says this: “Listening to music as loud as I want has been nice!”



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Emergency access solution in the works

By **Dave Boyce**
Almanac Staff Writer

A resolution is in the works to relieve the difficulties for residents entering or leaving the neighborhood of Skywood Acres in Woodside during emergencies, and for neighborhood children making their way safely to and from the school bus.

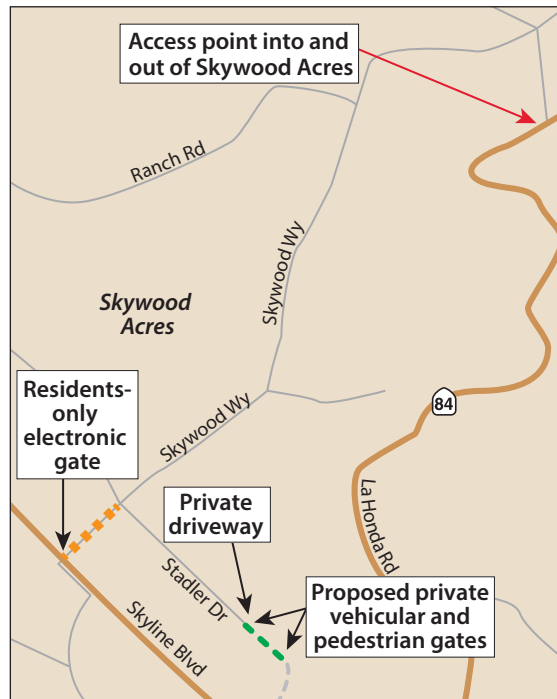
Woodside's Architectural and Site Review Board on July 9 unanimously approved an application for a gate permit requested by the owner of 125 Stadler Drive, a site that is key to resolving the matter.

A memorandum of understanding included with the application lays out a plan for two new electronically controlled vehicular gates at 125 Stadler Drive that neighborhood residents, using an electronic key, will be able to open and drive through during emergencies, even though the gates cross a private driveway.

The same memo sets conditions to allow children to use two new pedestrian gates that will be built at the same location until the town has improved an equestrian path nearby to make it safe for walking in all weather conditions. The Town Council on July 10 gave the green light to staff to proceed with the trail work.

There is one catch: Before a resident can open the vehicular gates, a public authority — from law enforcement, the local firefighting agency or Town Hall — must first activate the electronic locks, a step that can be taken remotely, the memo says.

Skywood Acres is home to some 70 to 80 households in the dappled sunshine on a wooded hillside just north of La Honda Road and just east of Skyline Boulevard. There has been just



Map by Kristin Brown/The Almanac

During an emergency, residents of Skywood Acres will have access through new gates that will be placed across a private driveway at the southern end of Stadler Drive, according to an agreement signed by the residents and the owner of the driveway.

one way in and out of the neighborhood — via Skywood Way at La Honda Road — since October 2016. At that time, someone — it's not known who — locked closed an old gate on Stadler Drive that had been open to allow informal passage

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July 25, 2018

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PUBLIC HEARING

- California Water Service Project CUSE2018-0009, VARI2018-0006, VARI2018-0007
455 Old La Honda Road Planner: Sage Schaan, Principal Planner
(Project Located off Upper Lake Road)

Presentation and approval, conditional approval, or denial of a Conditional Use Permit to remove existing public water system pumps, temporary tanks, wharf hydrant, and electrical panel within the required 50-foot setback and replace with new public water system pumps, surge tank, electric service panel, emergency generator and associated site improvements (driveway replacement, grading, tree removal, ancillary equipment, etc.). The project includes the review of a Variance to allow all of the equipment within the required 50-foot setback from the Upper Lake Road right-of-way, and review of a Variance to allow disturbance to slopes in excess of 35%.

- 2967 Woodside Road, LLC ASRA2018-0011, CUSE2018-0008
2967-2969 Woodside Road Planner: Corinne Jones, Associate Planner

Presentation and approval, conditional approval, or denial of a Master Sign Program for 2967 - 2969 Woodside Road.

The Planning Commission will consider the design review recommendation from the ASRA (ASRB2018-0011) and the Conditional Use Permit Amendment (CUSE2018-0008).

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.

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Fire district funding back on Atherton council agenda

The same day a critical civil grand jury report on the Menlo Park Fire Protection District was issued, on July 12, Atherton posted a consultant's report that looks at the town's options for its future as part of the fire district.

Atherton's City Council will discuss the report by the Matrix Consulting Group, looking at the town's options for leaving the fire district and at what legislative and other options exist to reallocate property taxes

among public agencies.

(At is.gd/ACC_Matrix see the report online.)

An earlier Matrix report released in January shows the fire district spends less than half the property tax revenues it receives from Atherton property owners providing services to the town, with an operating subsidy of more than \$7 million a year and growing.

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

SKYWOOD ACRES

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for vehicles and pedestrians, including schoolchildren.

Residents will have the right to use the Stadler Drive vehicular gates only if one or more key intersections in the area are "blocked, gridlocked, overwhelmed or otherwise inaccessible," the memo says.

In addition to the gates on Stadler, another way into and out of the neighborhood is nearly complete.

The town recently improved a site at the western end of Skywood Way and installed a gate opening onto Skyline Boulevard. The new gate is technically for emergency access only, but residents will be able to make exclusive use of it when they have an electronic lock installed at their expense. The gate will not open for passing traffic trying to cut through the neighborhood so as to bypass La Honda Road.

Walking to the bus

In creating a safe route to and from the school bus, the memo assigns to the town the responsibility of improving an equestrian trail that runs along Skyline Boulevard, an arterial often subject to high-speed traffic. The trail connects Skywood

Acres to the Skywood Trading Post commercial district, where the school bus picks up and drops off some 20 to 30 neighborhood children.

Until the town levels the trail, adds base rock as needed, and covers it with a layer of decomposed granite to produce a "durable, relatively even, all-weather bed," children and other pedestrians are allowed to use the new pedestrian gates at 125 Stadler Drive, according to the memo.

If the gates' owners do not adhere to the terms of the memo, the town can issue a municipal code violation and/or a restraining order requiring access for the residents. The residents also have the right to sue for enforcement of the terms.

In an emailed comment, David Madrid, a resident, attorney and negotiator on behalf of the residents, commended two of Woodside's council members — Tom Livermore and Mayor Chris Shaw — and Town Manager Kevin Bryant for engaging with residents and working out a deal with Skywood Way and Stadler Drive property owners.

"Our view that government works best when it serves to bring folks together appears to have been vindicated in this specific instance," Madrid said. ▣

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Sponsored by the Menlo Park Chamber of Commerce, the event on Santa Cruz Avenue, from Johnson Street to El Camino Real, will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days.

The street will be filled with music stages, food trucks, food and drink tents, arts and crafts and amusement park-style rides.

Menlo Summer Fest's lineup of 13 bands and DJs this year includes: East Bay Mudd, Rock Steady SF, The Riekestra, Delta Wires, The Illegals, and DJ I-Cue. The groups will perform on two big stages along with multiple smaller locations.

Street food will include coffee-rubbed beef brisket, Teriyaki chicken, burritos, WaHaKa bowls with organic veggies, paella, watermelon, lemonade and juices, and

shaved ice, to name a few.

Fleet Feet Menlo Park is also sponsoring a free 5K fun run and walk, beginning at 9 a.m. on Sunday in Fremont Park. Register at tinyurl.com/MSF-FRWalk.

The organizers request that festival-goers leave their pets at home.

Go to miramarevents.com or call 650-325-2818 for more information.

— By Lauren Kelmar

LIGHTING

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the visible spectrum so as to avoid negative effects on animals, and to equip them to shut off automatically.

Along with the prohibition of flood lights, other types of lights now banned include up-lights, searchlights and strings of lights — such as festoon or cafe lights. Holiday lights would be allowed for no more than 60 days per calendar year.

In discussing the character of a light, the reference is to lumens, a measure of brightness,

rather than to watts, a measure of energy used.

“Clearly a lot of work has gone into this,” Councilman Craig Hughes said at a recent meeting in which the council commented on a draft of the ordinance. “Generally, it’s exactly the update I was hoping for.”

The town should alert people to the changes with a flyer so they’re aware before submitting plans for new construction or remodeling projects, Councilman Jeff Aalfs said.

Councilwoman Ann Wengert called the ordinance “a great set of changes (that is) overdue.” ▀

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Portola Valley Summer Concert Series
 The Portola Valley Summer Concert Series will feature a variety of musicians. The second installation of the series will present the Fog City Swampers, a Credence Clearwater Revival tribute band. July 19, 6 p.m. Portola Valley Town Center, 765 Portola Road, Portola Valley.

Summer Concert Series: The Groove Foundation
 The Groove Foundation is a local group of musicians with a combined total of approximately 40 years musical experience. They will be performing many genres of music, including rock, jazz and R&B. July 18, 6:30-8 p.m. Free. Fremont Park, Corner of University and Santa Cruz, Menlo Park. menlopark.org

Summer Jazz 32nd Anniversary Concert Series
 Stanford Shopping Center hosts weekly rhythm and blues concerts showcasing a variety of jazz musicians and local favorites in the courtyard between Nordstrom and Crate & Barrel. Thursdays through Aug. 23, 6-7:30 p.m. Free. Stanford Shopping Center, 660 Stanford Shopping Center, Palo Alto. simon.com/mall/stanford-shopping-center

Music

Open Mic at Cafe Zoe
 Cafe Zoe will host an open mic for participants to show their skills and network with other musicians. Third Friday of every month, 6:30-9 p.m. Free. Cafe Zoe, 1929 Menalto Ave., Menlo Park. Search facebook.com/events for more info.

Film

SRT Film Festival: Cacoyannis' 'Iphigenia'
 As part of Stanford Repertory Theater's 20th annual Film Festival, Michael Cacoyannis' "Iphigenia" will be screened at the Sapp Center Auditorium. Professor of Classics and Archaeology Katarina Zacharia will respond to the film. July 23, 7-9:30 p.m. Free. Stanford University, 376 Lomita Drive, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

SGS Summer Film Festival: 'Force Majeure'
 The Stanford Film Festival and the Europe Center will be showing "Force Majeure," a 2014 Swedish film. The film will be moderated by visiting scholar Jonas Tallberg, professor of Political Science at Stockholm University. July 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free. Building 320, Escondido Mall, Stanford. Search events.stanford.edu for more info.

Families

Eth-Noh-Tec Ensemble
 The Menlo Park Main Library will host a performance for grade school students by the Eth-Noh-Tec Ensemble, performing "PanAsia FantAsia." July 24, 2-2:45 p.m. Free. Menlo Park Main Library, 800 Alma St., Menlo Park. menlopark.org

Silly Goose & Val
 The Menlo Park Belle Haven Library will host a performance by Silly Goose and Val, a musical show with puppets, ventriloquism, dancing and singing. July 25, 4-4:50 p.m. Free. Menlo Park Belle Haven Library, 413 Ivy Drive, Menlo Park. menlopark.org

Storyteller Kirk Waller: Quack, Gabble, Squawk
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Talks & Lectures

Dr. Paul Seward at Books Inc. Palo Alto
 Emeritus member of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Emergency Physicians Dr. Paul Seward will discuss his memoir, "Patient Care: Death and Life in the Emergency Room." July 20, 7-9 p.m. Free. Books Inc. Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. booksinc.net/event

Welcome to the Peninsula Museum of Art
 Peninsula Museum of Art Founder and Executive Director Ruth Waters will visit the Menlo Park Main Library to give an introduction to her facility and its art. July 23, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Free. Menlo Park Main Library, 800 Alma St., Menlo Park. menlopark.org

Museums & Exhibits

The Dancing Sowel: Performing Beauty in 'A Summer Bouquet'
 The Portola Art Gallery will present "A Summer Bouquet," a collection of flower paintings in pastel and oil by Linda Salter. The gallery will be open through July 31, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. A reception for the artist will be held July 21, 1-4 p.m. Free. Portola Art Gallery, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park. portolaartgallery.com

Dr. Lucienne Vian Woods

July 30, 1963 – June 29, 2018
 Menlo Park, California

Dr. Lucienne Vian Woods lost her battle with cancer and passed away on June 29, 2018, surrounded by her family. A graduate of the Castilleja School in Palo Alto, she went on to Pomona College in Claremont and then to the Chicago Medical School at Rosalind Franklin University. Lucienne specialized in internal and pediatric medicine and was a practicing physician in the Bay Area for many years.



Lucienne was the devoted, loving daughter of Judythe (Fina) Woods, who survives her. She is also survived by her father, Robert Eugene Woods of Palo Alto; her brother, Bryan Eugene Woods, his wife Jeanette Andonian and their son, Jacob Woods, of Portland, Maine; her cousins, Lucienne Michelle Lastovic and her son James Lastovic of Carlsbad, California, and Michael Lastovic, his wife Karen Lastovic and their children Joseph and Lucy Lastovic of Huntsville, Alabama. She also leaves behind many adoring friends and members of her church community. She will be greatly missed by all.

All are welcome to attend the funeral service, which will be held at the Church of the Nativity, 210 Oak Grove Avenue in Menlo Park on July 18, 2018 at 10:00 am. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made to the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance (<https://ocrfa.org/>) or to the Church of the Nativity.

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The paparazzi are not pursuing them, and they won't be found strutting down a red carpet before adoring fans. But some local business owners and their

staffs are nevertheless stars in the estimation of Almanac readers who voted in this year's Readers' Choice contest. The annual Readers' Choice ballot gives you the opportunity to put your favorite businesses under the spotlight — to give a resounding round of applause to owners and staff of the shops, salons, restaurants and other businesses that perform with pizzazz, offering outstanding goods and services.

The awards this year go to a number of traditional winners such as the Pet Place, Cafe Borrone, Kepler's bookstore and Flegel's Home Furnishings, as well as to newcomers such as Cafe Wisteria at Allied Arts Guild, which readers chose as best new restaurant. On the following pages, we name the winners of the Almanac's 2018 Readers' Choice Awards.

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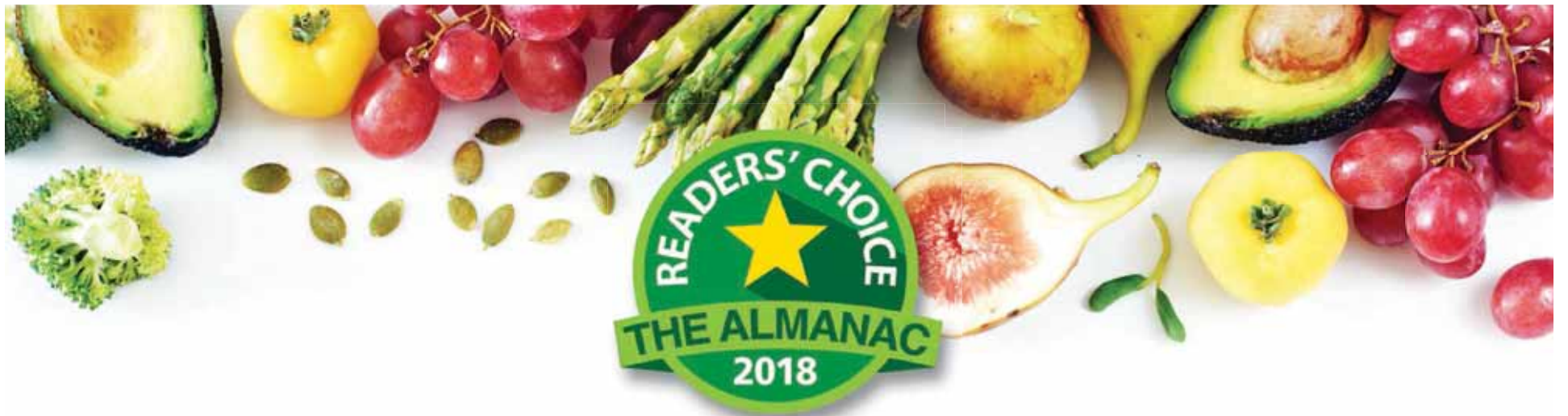
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RESTAURANTS

AMERICAN RESTAURANT, PLACE FOR A DATE

Flea St. Cafe has been chosen by Almanac readers as their favorite in two categories: best American restaurant and best place for a date. Owner Jesse Cool says that customers love the restaurant's warm, caring, and professional atmosphere, as well as the contemporary ingredient-inspired menu that changes with the seasons. Flea St. Cafe is about to celebrate its 38th anniversary this August. Cool says that since its opening, Flea St. has created its menu from ingredients gathered from local farms, fisheries and ranches. And what makes Flea St. such a good place for a date? "Our restaurant is not stuffy, and people can hear each other talk while enjoying delicious food and cocktails," Cool says. Flea St. has recently opened an oysterette on its deck, according to Cool. 3607 Alameda de las Pulgas, Menlo Park | (650) 854-1226 | cooleatz.com

CASUAL DINING, OUTDOOR DINING, PLACE TO MEET PEOPLE, INDEPENDENT COFFEE AND TEA HOUSE

Cafe Borrone is truly a gem of the Menlo Park community with its fresh food and scenic outdoor seating. This year, it is again the winner in the categories of best casual dining, outdoor dining, place to meet people, and independent coffee

and tea house. Sergio Fuentes, a general manager, says that Cafe Borrone's customers enjoy the restaurant's family-oriented atmosphere, as well as how all of the meals are baked in-house with only organic ingredients. Fuentes says the most popular dish is the chicken salad sandwich. "It is definitely our number-one order," he says. 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park | (650) 327-0830 | cafeborrone.com

ITALIAN RESTAURANT

Carpaccio is our readers' choice for best Italian restaurant once again. Carpaccio has been in its Menlo Park location since 1988, according to owner Sandra Ferer. She also says, "I think our customers feel that Carpaccio is their home away from home." Asked how Carpaccio has managed to maintain its loyal customers, Ferer responded that consistency plays a part. "We are very consistent, both in terms of our food and our staff," she says. It's important that customers are able to get a favorite entree if that's what they wanted when they came in, and not discover that it was rotated off the menu. However, the restaurant does offer weekly specials to keep things interesting. 1120 Crane St., Menlo Park, | (650) 322-1211 | carpaccios.com

CHINESE RESTAURANT

Following a motto of "treat every day like it is grand opening day," **Chef Chu's** has won over readers with its homemade potstickers and annual Chinese New Year festivities. Serena Williams, Steve Young, Justin Bieber and JFK Jr. are among the many real-life

superheroes to have dined at Chef Chu's since its opening in 1970. The Beijing duck, cooked in a cast iron Chinese oven, is popular among patrons. Many of the signature dishes feature fish and shellfish, but there's also lamb, chicken and a vegetarian cold plate on the signature menu. 1067 N. San Antonio Road, Los Altos | (650) 948-2696 | chefchu.com

FRENCH RESTAURANT, HAPPY HOUR

Left Bank French brasserie has been a longtime winner in the best French restaurant category, but this year readers have also voted it winner for having the best happy hour. Left Bank is a stalwart in the Menlo Park restaurant community, and this year it is celebrating its 20th anniversary. General manager Wesleigh Stoltz says that one reason Left Bank has been around so long is because it's comfortable, and guests feel that they can truly relax while dining. Regarding happy hour, Stoltz says, "Left Bank's happy hour has always been an unspoken secret." With the recent addition of the outdoor terrace, as well as Left Bank's late happy hour from 9 p.m. until closing, the restaurant has drawn more people, he says. Starting this month, Left Bank is also offering a prix fixe family-style menu every Sunday until the end of year. All of the proceeds are going to different Menlo Park community organizations. 635 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 473-6543

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amuza historio en si mem, sed ne nuntempe. Mi bezonas diri al vi pri mia sekva aventuro, kiu estas merkatanta la Shoecar en Turkujo. Ili vere ŝatas ilin tie kaj la merkato estas grandega mi signifas grandega kun ĉefurbo Uge! Ili amas la Shoecar kaj ĝis nun ni vendis tri kun unu ordo pritraktata do ĝi vere forprenas. Ni provis vendi ilin en paroj sed sincere ni nur lasas maldekstre ĉe tiuj pli, sed la skatolo estas sufiĉe granda.

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scivolos, kio estas la Esperanto por video? Hodiaŭ, mi rigardis ĝin kaj ĝi estas 'video.' Kiu ligna trunko? Tiam estas la kazo de malriĉa k ĉi tie. Mi diris al li, ke cigaredoj estas la kampo de la Diablo, sed li ne aŭskultos. Li pensas promenadon en B bildo, kiam Paramount faras lin senmorta, sed mi ne konsentas ne milionojn da jaroj, sed li daŭrigas kaj ne havas filtrilon. Almenaŭ li ne vapas kiel iu tatuita stranga sur Merkato St. Ĉi tiu vapanta afero vere akiras mian kapron ... Hej, kie estas mia kapro. Memoru nur lasi la kapron iri. Mi vere devas reiri labori sed diveni kion? Ĉi tio estas mia laboro. Mia reala laboro kaŝas klare la fakton, ke ĉio, kion mi faras, estas ĉagrenita dum la tuta tago, dum Romo bruligas. Laŭvorte brulvundoj ... ĝuste al la tero.



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JAPANESE RESTAURANT

The award for favorite Japanese restaurant once again goes to Palo Alto's **Fuki Sushi**. The restaurant is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year. Reflecting on how Fuki Sushi has remained successful for so long, co-owner Lumi Gardner says that customers love its atmosphere and consistency, in addition to the diverse menu. "We have five different kitchens inside

Fuki Sushi, each one dedicated to a different food type," Gardner says. In the past year, Gardner says, Fuki Sushi has expanded its catering services, and will continue to offer more in terms of catering in the coming year. *4119 El Camino Real, Palo Alto | (650) 494-9383 | fukisushi.com*

MEXICAN RESTAURANT

The award for best Mexican restaurant goes to first-time

winner **Amigos Grill**. Chef Julio Hernandez says that people keep coming back for the burritos and enchiladas, but the margaritas are also a customer favorite. "People love our margaritas," Hernandez says. In addition to the food, customers also love the casual ambiance. Amigos Grill has no current plans to change its menu, since customers love its dishes, Hernandez says. *3130 Alpine Road, #290, Portola Valley | (650) 851-3997*

MOST ROMANTIC RESTAURANT

The award for the most romantic restaurant goes to **The Village Pub**. With deep-burgundy walls and white-linen-covered tables glowing with candlelight and set far enough apart for intimate conversation, The Pub offers impeccably prepared food and professional service that make it one of the Bay Area's finest restaurants. Executive chef Steven Pelas works with pristine, organic produce from a private five-acre farm, SMIP Ranch, located in Woodside. High-quality meats, fish, and poultry are also a highlight.

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There are plenty of impressive dishes on the Village Pub menu to choose from when you dine at the Woodside restaurant to share a delectable meal with a date.

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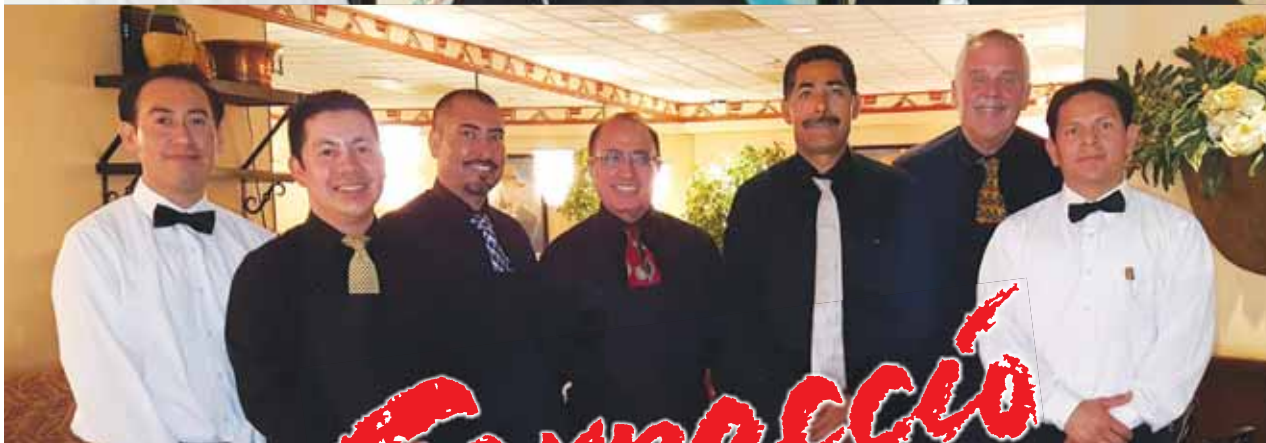
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A recent menu offered such entrees as almond Coleman pork loin with pearl barley and grilled apricots, and pan-seared ocean trout with sweet corn pudding and chanterelle mushrooms. 2967 Woodside Road, Woodside | (650) 851-9888 | thevillagepub.net

DINING WITH KIDS, BREAKFAST

Buck's of Woodside is again the winner in the categories of best dining with kids and best breakfast. Co-owner Jamis MacNiven says kids love Buck's because, "they get to run around, and we give them a treasure hunt with over 500 artifacts to find." As for the food, Buck's has seven different menus and is constantly changing its specials. "We are always experimenting and changing our specials, but we keep the favorites," MacNiven says. Buck's is always busy, getting about 600 to 1,000 customers a day, he says. "Don't come; we are too busy," MacNiven, known for his quick wit, deadpans. 3062 Woodside Road, Woodside | (650) 851-8010 | buckswoodside.com

NEW RESTAURANT

This year, **Cafe Wisteria** wins the Almanac Readers' Choice Award for favorite new restaurant. Cafe Wisteria is located at the Allied Arts Guild, surrounded by gardens and flowers. This scenic restaurant offers a California, farm-to-table cuisine in a casual setting. Menu items include a watermelon caprese salad, eggs benedict and apple-brie panini. Customers love the outdoor dining and relaxing environment, complete with the soothing sounds of a fountain. 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park | (650) 838-9002

RETAIL

BOOKSTORE

Kepler's Books, a mainstay of the Peninsula's literary scene, this year made a Lonely Planet list of "bookstores worth

traveling for." According to Praveen Madan, CEO of Kepler's Books and a member of the Kepler's Literary Foundation, the Kepler's known to the community is two community organizations: Kepler's the bookstore, a for-profit enterprise, and the Kepler's Literary Foundation, a nonprofit headed by Jean Forstner that hosts hundreds of free and ticketed events each year in the community — many of which happen inside the bookstore. The foundation has an annual budget of about \$350,000 a year, Madan says, and is funded through a combination of major donor individuals and grants. It runs a series of literary seminars, author events, book clubs, a radio show called "This is Now" with Angie Coiro, and a program that brings children's authors to meet with students in the Ravenswood City School District. In the store, Madan says, a makeshift office for the shop's book buyers is being relocated across the street to make space to expand the children's section and improve the shop's layout, hopefully by Labor Day. The bookstore has been profitable since the 2013-14 fiscal year, Madan says, and has been able to raise salaries, improve benefits, and implement a profit-sharing program for employees. Open 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday. 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park | (650) 324-4321 | keplers.com

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The awards for the best grocery, produce, place to buy meat and sandwiches go to **Bianchini's Market** in the Ladera Shopping Center. Owner Kevin Bianchini says he's grateful to "all of our wonderful customers. We are honored to receive these prestigious awards." His team is celebrating 20 years in Ladera and looking forward to another 20, he says. Customers know they can fill all of their grocery needs at the market, he says, including gourmet specialty foods, organic foods and everyday items. The produce section, located at the



Kids young and old love the decor at Buck's of Woodside.

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Juan and Mercedes Navarro own and operate the popular Ladera Garden & Gifts.

entrance, offers produce from Bay Area farms. And the deli offers a range of specialty sandwiches, the most popular being the Firehouse No. 8, made with roasted tri-tip, roasted red bell peppers, ancho aioli, lettuce, tomato and pepperoncini on a sourdough roll. The award-winning meat department offers quality meats, seafood and organic poultry. 3130 Alpine Road, Portola Valley | (650) 851-4391 | bianchinismarket.com

BICYCLE SHOP

Menlo Velo Bicycles has long been a favorite of our readers, this year again taking the award as the best bicycle shop. Owner Rainer Zaechelein credits the store's success to the consistency of the shop. "We have had the same employees for a long time, as well as a consistent product on the sale side." Customers keep returning, he says, because "we treat our customers' bikes like we would treat our own." Zaechelein also says that the technology of bikes is changing, and electric bikes are getting more popular. He said his store will continue updating its bikes as technology develops. 433 El Camino Real, Menlo Park | (650) 327-5137 | menlovelobicycles.com

PLACE TO BUY SHOES

Footwear etc. is known for having great customer service and the most comfortable shoes available, according to the store's website. Footwear etc. is now celebrating over 30 years of business, and has expanded to 12 different locations. Its Palo Alto location has been voted winner of the best place to buy shoes this year by our readers. The store's website states,

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FLORIST, NURSERY, GIFT SHOP

Ladera Garden & Gifts is this year's winner in three categories: favorite florist, favorite gift shop, and favorite nursery. Mercedes and Juan Navarro have owned the business for 37 years. "We're getting a better selection of flowers and more unusual plants because people want them," Juan Navarro says. "We're growing with the demand." Buckets of fresh flowers greet shoppers outside the entryway, ready to be assembled into custom-made arrangements. Inside, an array of orchids, vases, china, linen, soaps and other "more trendy" gifts fill shelves. A good-sized greenhouse leads into an outdoor nursery, chock-full of plants,

shrubs and trees, attracting many repeat customers year after year. 3130 Alpine Road, Suite 380, Portola Valley | (650) 854-3850 | laderagardenandgifts.com

FRAME STORE/GALLERY

If you can't find the sign for **Menlo Art and Frame** in Menlo Park, that's because it doesn't exist. Marcy Magatelli, the shop's proprietor, says she's been in business for 28 years, but began as part of a franchise called "The Great Frame Up." She moved locations eight years ago, she broke her business away from the franchise — but hasn't changed the signs yet. Her knowledge and experience are key to attracting customers wanting their keepsakes and art framed, she says. And what do they want framed? In her experience, many don't purchase art locally, but prefer the "cachet" of being able to say they picked up their art in the south of France, Santa Fe or Hawaii, for instance, she says. Other times, people bring in sentimental family items for framing, like a grandfather's reading glasses or a great-grandmother's doily. "Anything is framable," she says. 865 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 323-1097 | menlopark.thegreatframeup.com

HOME DECOR & FURNISHINGS

Flegel's Interior Design & Distinctive Furnishing, a Menlo Park fixture since 1954, is the winner of The Almanac's Readers' Choice Award in the home decor and furnishing category for the 26th year in a row. General manager Brian Flegel, a third-generation member of the founding family, attributes part of the store's success to

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Some of the local artisans showcased at Shady Lane are, from left in front, Maria Torrey, Lauren Eichler, Judi Eichler, Celia Moreno, Sandi Morey, Alice Deutscher (artisan owner and founder); back row, Ashley Dodge with store dog Abby Rae and Diane Peterson.

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the confidence customers have in the staff. “Our customers appreciate our knowledge,” Flegel says. “They know that our resources are the best, and that we will make customized furniture to fit their homes.” Flegel also says that staff considers how the store’s customers live by going into their homes and adapting the furniture and

designs to their customers, and winning their trust. 870 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 326-9661 | flegels.com

PET STORE

The Pet Place is a community treasure devoted to the welfare of animals. This year the local store is celebrating its 26th year in business, and its 26th consecutive Readers’

Choice Award for best pet store. Owners Lynn and Marc Macy are lifelong Menlo Park residents who care deeply for the well-being of animals. The shop is among the first to offer holistic and natural products, to go green, and to host adoption fairs to bring homeless animals into loving homes. Among the food and toys available at the Pet Place, you will find specialized products for disabled animals, and referrals for veterinarians and pet sitters. Check out the website — thepetplacemenlopark.com — for more information and the store’s specialized services. 777 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 325-7387 | thepetplacemenlopark.com

SPECIALTY STORE

Penzey’s Spices in downtown Menlo Park has a tidy selection of cooking spices likely to add flavor to any culinary concoction. The shop boasts

exotic-sounding herb blends like “Tuscan Sunset,” “Pico Fruta” and “Mural of Flavor,” plus foreign-sourced ingredients like Tellicherry Indian Black Peppercorns and Madagascar vanilla beans. The shop also offers goods including spice storage items, a selection of cookbooks, mugs and dish towels. And if you’re stuck on just what flavor to give to your foodie friends, the shop also offers gift boxes and gift cards. Open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. 771 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 853-1785 | penzeys.com

HARDWARE

The new owners of Portola Valley Hardware, Richard Crevett and Stig Nybo, are “thrilled” to be voted Best Hardware Store for 2018, Nybo says. “It’s 100 percent organic because we were completely surprised by it. We didn’t campaign at all.” The two most common comments they hear: “You guys have everything,” and “Your team is so helpful,” Nybo says. The pair plan to continue studying the store’s layout, staying with what’s been successful, but with an eye to “changing a little bit of the aesthetic” to be more appealing to people, Nybo says. 112 Portola Road, Portola Valley | (650) 851-0116 | portolavalleyhardware.com

FLOOR COVERINGS

The award for the best floor coverings goes to Abbey Carpet & Floor in Menlo Park. The Diamond Certified recognition for the Menlo Park store, based on an independent and random customer survey, indicates customer satisfaction of at least 90 percent, store salesman

and manager John Christensen says. As for the coming year, the plan is to stay flexible and keep up with product trends, he says. Those trends, he notes, include area rugs, stair runners, hardwood floors and high-end wool rugs. 626 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 462-0800 | menlopark.abbeycarpet.com

SERVICES

HOTEL

Menlo Park’s elegant Rosewood Hotel is a classy place — evidenced, if not by the telltale exotic car show in front of the hotel’s entrance, then maybe by the on-site Michelin-starred restaurant, Madera, or the Alex Chases Salon and Sense Spa on the premises. Perhaps most impressive, though, is that it’s got real cloth squares for drying one’s hands in its bathrooms. (Not that we’d recommend going there just for the toilets. That would be uncouth!) Years after being outed in a 2013 Vanity Fair article as a Cougar Night hotspot, the hotel now boasts another “how Silicon Valley” claim to fame: Its on-site jewelry store, Stephen Silver Fine Jewelry, is the first jewelry store in the world to accept cryptocurrency as payment, according to a recent KPIX story. 2825 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park | (650) 561-1500 | rosewoodhotels.com/en/sand-hill-menlo-park

BARBER

Menlo Park Barber Shop, which opened in November 2015 on Avy Avenue, near Alameda de las Pulgas, has all the fixings of an old-fashioned barber, complete with

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red-blue-and-white striped pole out front, plush barber chairs arranged in rows and a squad of barbers who go way back: Shop founder Sam Valero and fellow barber Woody Jackson went to the same high school in the Central Valley. They are joined by Yvonne Soliz as three veterans of the now-shuttered Golden Shears barber shop, a Santa Cruz Avenue hair-trimming mainstay that operated in Menlo Park for 53 years before it closed in early 2016. Open Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. or

by appointment. 2100 Avy Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 391-9008 | menloparkbarbershop.com

HAIR SALON

Olive Hill Salon has been voted favorite hair salon for the fifth time. Owner Arlene Tascian-Russell says the salon's "clients are the most important part of our business, and we strive to make everyone's experience the best it can be." The Woodside salon features Aveda and Kerastase, specializing in cut, coloring and extensions. The experienced team of stylists is up on the latest

trends and designs a personalized look for each client. "Our goal is to create beautiful results and maintain healthy hair," Tascian-Russell says. "We love getting to know our clients and work to build lasting relationships based on trust and integrity." 2920 Woodside Road, Woodside | (650) 851-1150 | olivehillssalon.com

MANICURE, PEDICURE

Menlo Park's **A Touch of Elegance** has won the Almanac's Readers' Choice Award for best manicure and pedicure for the fourth year in a row. In addition to regular manicures and pedicures, A Touch of Elegance also offers waxing and massages. A Touch of Elegance prides itself on its customer service and consistent services. 1150 Crane St., Menlo Park | (650) 321-0679

DAY SPA

Bella Schneider's **La Belle Day Spas and Salons** has won the 2018 Readers' Choice award for favorite day spa. Clients say they love their clinically advanced in-house facials and cosmetic formulations as well as advanced beauty expertise. They also love the familiarity of long-term staff



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FITNESS CLASSES, GYM, YOGA

Triple-prize-winning **Studio Rincon** has what it takes to keep our readers happy year after year. The fitness studio offers all levels of classes from beginner to advanced, and also offers classes based on age group. There's a boot camp, and classes include yoga, pilates, hip-hop and zumba. Studio Rincon recently opened a boutique on Santa Cruz Avenue called Yogarok Living, offering activewear and fitness clothing. 3536 Alameda de las Pulgas, Menlo Park | (650) 861-0242 | studiorincon.com



Studio Rincon won awards in three categories.

DRY CLEANER

It's the fourth year for **Ladera Cleaners** topping the list in the category for best dry cleaner. Located in the Ladera Shopping Center along Alpine Road for at least 16 years, the dry cleaner has been using eco-friendly cleansers and offers custom tailoring and advice on how to care for clothes and other belongings that need dry cleaning, including coats, comforters, draperies and handmade quilts. Other services include laundry washed and folded, reweaving

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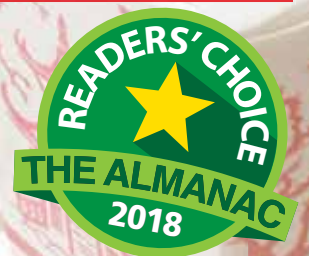
Once again, customers of Tom Ramies' **Portola Valley Garage** have put the facility in the top spot for the Best Auto Repair category. "I want to thank this fabulous community for voting for us to be No. 1 nine years in

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a row!" Ramies said in an email. "Tom and his team really know what they are doing — and almost even more important, they really like what they are doing!" said Sven B. from Palo Alto in a website testimonial. Portola Valley Garage offers 36-month, 36,000-mile nationwide warranties and repairs of super-car brands such as Aston Martin, Ferrari and Porsche. 4170 Alpine Road, Portola Valley | (650) 851-7442 | pvgarage.com

PLUMBER

Guy Plumbing & Heating, a Menlo Park institution that has no shortage of Readers' Choice awards from years past, has taken the prize again this year in the best plumber category. "This is a special year for us as we celebrate our 70th anniversary in business and remain family-owned and operated in Menlo Park," Camille Guy writes in an email. "They are the best," Teresa T. from Palo Verde writes in an online testimonial. "They fixed my broken faucet on my kitchen sink on Xmas eve when I had 26 people coming for Xmas dinner." The company continues to offer water-sense products accredited by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, whether for DIY or new construction. 1265 El Camino Real, Menlo Park | (650) 323-8415 | guyplumbing.com

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LIVE MUSIC

Lutticken's, situated along Alameda de las Pulgas in West Menlo

Park, has long been known as a sandwich spot, plus the place to go for salads, Mexican food and coffee. But over the past few years, the local hub has also developed a burgeoning "After 5" after-hours scene, with a separate menu offering wine, beer and snacks. On Thursday nights, Lutticken's hosts karaoke, and on many Saturday nights, local musicians perform there. According to the shop's owner, Bob Lutticken, people can find out who'll be performing by coming into the shop and asking. "We don't do any marketing," he says. Open 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. 3535 Alameda de las Pulgas, Menlo Park | (650) 854-0291 | luttickens.com

FOOD & DRINK

HAMBURGER

Great burgers are the hallmark of **Jeffrey's Hamburgers**, says owner Serge Karanov. The burger meat is ground fresh every day, and nothing is prepackaged or frozen, he says. The restaurant also offers milkshakes and root beer floats, a spectrum of fry options (classic, garlic, sweet potato and chili cheese varieties), and for the health conscious, burger bowls or salads. The menu also offers a garden burger option for vegetarians. Another signature of the restaurant that keeps people coming back, Karanov says, is that there are no surprises. "We just stick with tried and true. They come in, they know what to expect, and that's what they get." Restaurant employees pay attention to detail and are quick to respond to customers' concerns,

he says. Open 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day. 888 El Camino Real, Menlo Park | (650) 322-1959 | jeffreysburgers.com

TAKEOUT

Chef Kwan's continues to be our readers' favorite takeout restaurant. The restaurant prides itself on serving its customers in a friendly, comfortable environment with authentic Chinese food. Owner Jason Kwan says the most frequently ordered meals are the Chinese chicken salad, the pot stickers and the wonton soup. Kwan took over the takeout establishment from the owners of Su Hong To-Go, and the menu largely reflects that of the earlier restaurant. Chef Kwan's plans to add more dishes to its menu in the coming year, according to Kwan. 630 Menlo Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 322-4631 | chefkwans.com

PIZZA

Menlo Park's **Applewood Pizza** has been voted favorite pizza place again. Applewood offers a selection of signature pizzas along with customizable pies with a wide range of toppings. In addition, the restaurant also has pastas, salads, soups, seafood, and Hungarian dishes on its menu. Applewood's most popular pizza is the Menlo Combo, which is a classic meat-lovers pie. Its most-ordered pasta is the linguine gamberoni, which is made of jumbo prawns, cilantro, marinara and spices. Applewood Pizza prides itself on being a fun pizza parlor for the family in a comfortable environment, according to its website. 1001 El Camino Real, Menlo Park | (650) 324-3486 | applewoodpizza.com



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DESSERT

Susie Cakes, on Santa Cruz Avenue in downtown Menlo Park, offers a clean, pastel interior and some seriously fluffy buttercream frosting. The company now has seven

locations in Northern California, and an additional 15 in Southern California and Texas. Among the layer-cake offerings are a six-layer chocolate cake, plus lemon, vanilla, coconut, carrot, marble and

buttercream cakes, in addition to a spectrum of cookies and dessert bars. The delicacies baked here stand out for their simple ingredients and

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There's no shortage of shapes, flavors and colors of the confections offered at Susie Cakes in Menlo Park.



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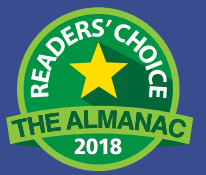


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BAKERY

hand-designed cake decorations, according to the business' menu. Plus, they use recycled paper products, boxes and bags, they say. The dessert shop also offers wedding cakes and local deliveries. Open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday, closed Sundays. 642 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 324-2252 | susiecakes.com

Woodside Bakery in Menlo Park, for the second consecutive year, won the award for best bakery. "We're thrilled and honored that people still appreciate our quality and our products," says co-owner Jan Sweyer. "After all these years, it's wonderful. Customers love that we maintain our old-fashioned bakery style, including offering Danish, Napoleons, cannoli and custom cakes," she says. New

this year: the floor, the counters, bench seating and the colors, which are now similar to when the bakery was in Woodside. "It looks like the old bakery but with upgraded display cases," Sweyer says. 325 Sharon Park Drive, Menlo Park | (650) 854-6207 | woodsidebakery.com

ICE CREAM/FROZEN YOGURT

Baskin-Robbins has been named by our readers once again the place to go for the best ice cream and frozen yogurt. In addition to its classic ice cream flavors like chocolate chip cookie dough and gold medal ribbon, Baskin-Robbins also has seasonal flavors. This summer, some of the seasonal ice cream flavors include watermelon splash and caramel macchiato. In addition, Baskin-Robbins also offers sundaes, warm desserts, beverages, and parfaits. Cakes are customizable for birthdays and special events, or come pre-designed. Baskin-Robbins continues to be the world's largest chain of ice cream specialty shops, with more than 7,800 locations in 50 countries worldwide, according to its website. 863 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park | (650) 323-9335 | baskinrobbins.com ■



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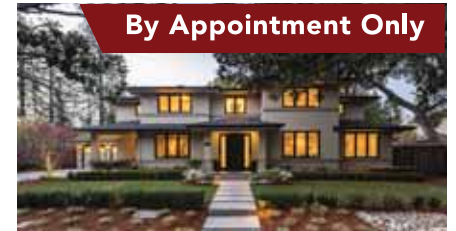
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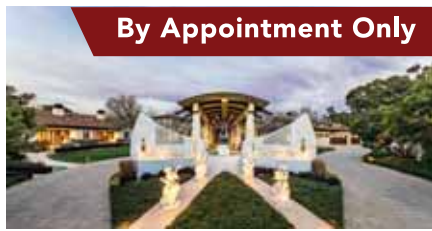
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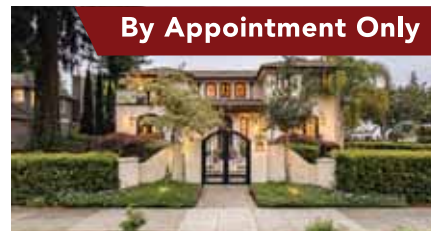
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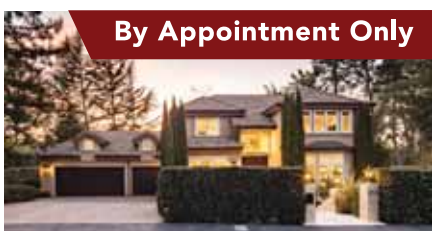
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995 Fictitious Name Statement

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 277862
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Craft and Oak, 2.) craftoak.com, located at 200 Todo El Mundo, Woodside, CA 94062, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
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Woodside, CA 94062
California
This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 5/30/2018.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on May 30, 2018.
(ALM June 27; July 4, 11, 18, 2018)

ISSIMI INC.
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 278047
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Issimi Inc., located at 1830 Industrial Way, Redwood City, CA 94063, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
ISSIMI INC.
1830 Industrial Way
Redwood City, CA 94063
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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 June 15, 2018.
(ALM June 27; July 4, 11, 18, 2018)

RAVENSWOOD JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 277946
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Ravenswood Junior Soccer Club, located at 1166 Saratoga Ave., East Palo Alto, CA 94303, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
RAVENSWOOD JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB
1166 Saratoga Ave.
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This business is conducted by: A Corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 07-20-2015.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on June 7, 2018.
(ALM June 27; July 4, 11, 18, 2018)

PROPER CLEANING SERVICES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 278061
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Proper Cleaning Services, located at 1454 Regent St. #1, Redwood City, CA 94061, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
LILI RODRIGUEZ VALENCIA
1454 Regent St. #1
Redwood City, CA 94061
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 June 15, 2018.
(ALM June 27; July 4, 11, 18, 2018)

ZEN-SATION
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 278101
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Zen-Sation, located at 86A 88th St., Daly City, CA 94015, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
JUANA CORDERO
1655 Sweetwood Dr.
Daly City, CA 94015
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 June 20, 2018.
(ALM June 27; July 4, 11, 18, 2018)

MEADOW BELLES FARM
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 278157
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Meadow Belles Farm, located at 175 Meadowood Dr., Portola Valley, CA 94028, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
NANCY KRUBERG
175 Meadowood Dr.
Portola Valley, CA 94028
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 June 27, 2018.
(ALM July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2018)

ITSY BITSY SCHOLARS PRESCHOOL
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 278151
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Itsy Bitsy Scholars Preschool, located at 506 Beresford Ave., Redwood City, CA 94061, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
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Redwood City, CA 94061
STEPHANIE HERBST
506 Beresford Ave.
Redwood City, CA 94061
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(ALM July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2018)

COSMIC TURTLE
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 278173
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Cosmic Turtle, located at 301 Oak Avenue Apt. E, Redwood City, CA 94061, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
AARON NEMOYTEN
301 Oak Avenue, Apt. E
Redwood City, CA 94061
This business is conducted by: An Individual.
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on June 28, 2018.
(ALM July 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 2018)

FIRST - MATE SERVICES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 278228
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
First - Mate Services, located at 919 Flying Fish Street, Foster, CA 94404, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
JAMES MICHAEL RODRIGUEZ
919 Flying Fish St.
Foster, CA 94404
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 July 5, 2018.
(ALM July 18, 25; Aug. 1, 8, 2018)

MR. CHIMNEY
MR. CHIMNEY & DRYER VENTS R'US
MR. CHIMNEY ANY VARIATION OF
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 278115
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Mr. Chimney, 2.) Mr. Chimney & Dryer Vents R'us, 3.) Mr. Chimney any variation of, located at 4455 McKinnon Dr., San Jose, CA 95130, Santa Clara County.
Registered owner(s):
MASON MCCARTY
4455 McKinnon Dr.
San Jose, CA 95130
This business is conducted by: An Individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 4/01/1989.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on June 22, 2018.
(ALM July 18, 25; Aug. 1, 8, 2018)

PPS ENTERPRISES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 278091
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
PPS Enterprises, located at 1580 San Antonio Ave., Apt. B, Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
PERRY SHOURAIE
1580 San Antonio Ave. Apt. B
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 6/19/2018.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on June 19, 2018.
(ALM July 18, 25; Aug. 1, 8, 2018)

997 All Other Legals

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Case No.: 18CIV03325
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: RYAN MICHELETTI filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
ANALEIA ALICE MICHELETTI to ANNALIEA ALICE MICHELETTI.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING: August 09, 2018, 9:00 a.m., Dept.: PJ of the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, located at 400 County Center, Redwood City, CA 94063.
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THE ALMANAC
Date: June 28, 2018
/s/ Susan Irene Etezadi
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
(ALM July 18, 25; Aug. 1, 8, 2018)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Case No.: 18CIV03389
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner:
DANA MARIE VAZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
DANA MARIE VAZ to DANA MARIE GEHRING.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING: August 17, 2018, 9:00 a.m., Dept.: PJ of the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, located at 400 County Center, Redwood City, CA 94063.
A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county:
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