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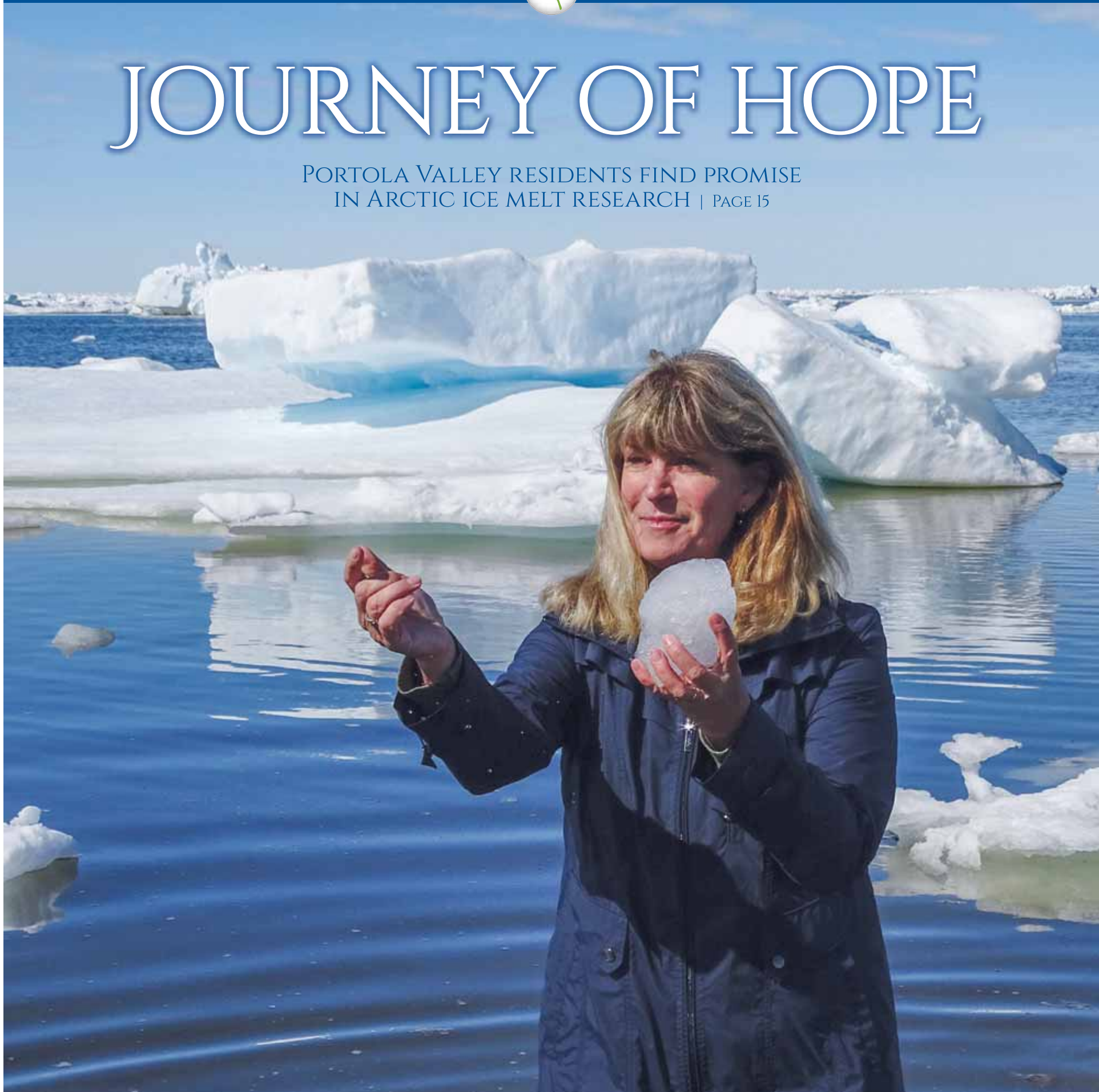
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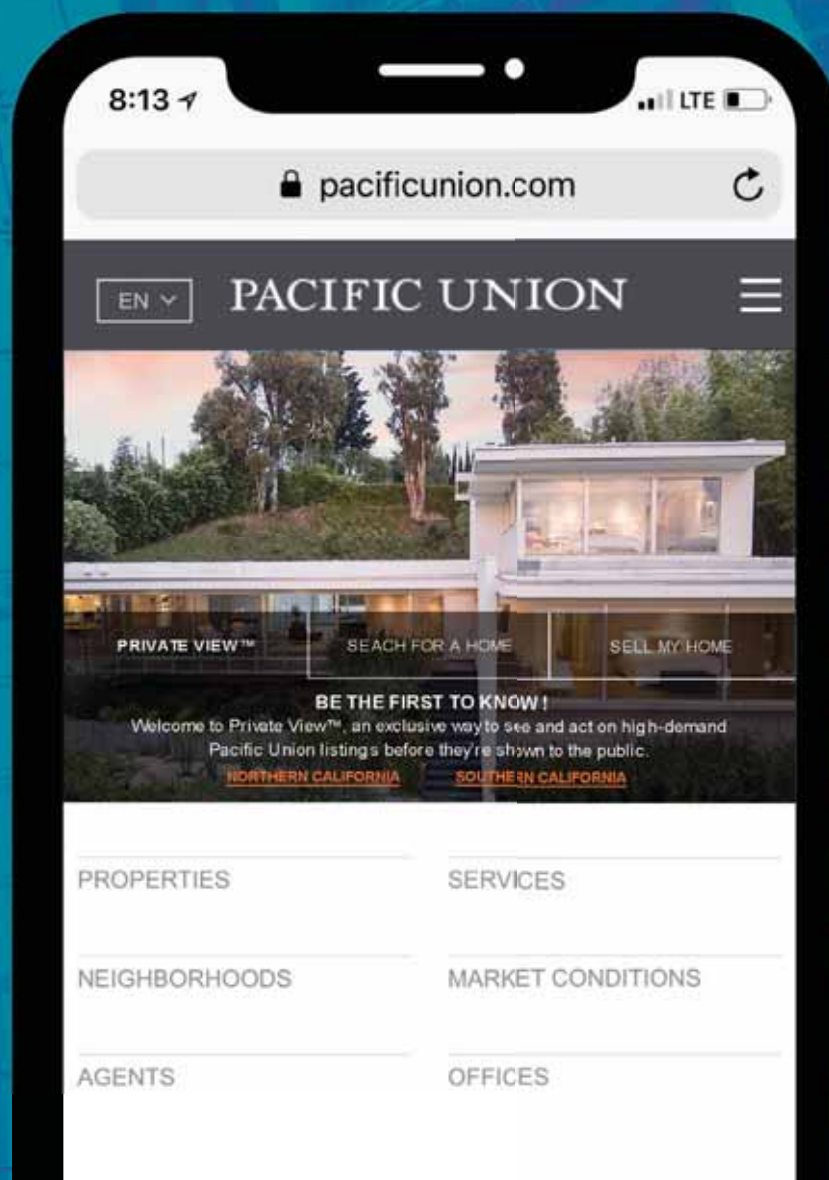
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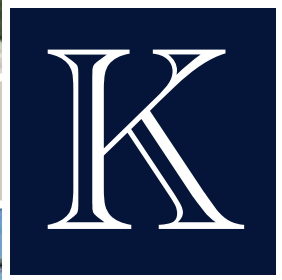




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# Local News

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Photo by Katie Sluis

## Bilal's gift

A team of local audiologists and an art therapist joined in an effort to give the gift of hearing to 11-year-old Bilal Popal, an Afghan refugee who has settled with his family in Northern California. The local assistance to the boy was the result of an art exhibit hosted by Menlo Park resident and audiologist Dr. Jane Baxter as part of her humanitarian efforts on behalf of refugees. In the photo is Bilal, center, with his family and teacher Katie Sluis, who played a key role in connecting the family with the audiology team. See the story on Page 17.

## Brown Act violation postpones Menlo Park council's library talks

By Kate Bradshaw  
Almanac Staff Writer

Due to what is being characterized as an inadvertent Brown Act violation, the Menlo Park City Council could postpone its scheduled discussion about the library system, including the proposal to rebuild the main library, until early 2019, according to a report from City Attorney Bill McClure.

A Brown Act violation can occur when a majority of members of a legislative body, in this case, three or more City Council members, communicate in any way to discuss, deliberate about, or take action on a matter outside of a meeting for which the public has been given proper notice.

According to McClure, the violation occurred when Councilwoman Kirsten Keith, who is on a subcommittee with Councilman Rich Cline focused on

library matters, and Mayor Peter Ohtaki had a conversation during the Aug. 16 downtown block party.

According to Ohtaki, he and Keith exchanged brief pleasantries, and Keith made a comment that Ohtaki interpreted as encouragement to vote for the library, before he went to track down his kids to feed them dinner. "But we didn't talk about which library," he added. "That was it."

Ohtaki told The Almanac he responded to Keith's comment by saying something along the lines of "It's going to be a very difficult vote." He added, "That's my way of saying I haven't decided yet."

Keith said in an interview, "I made a comment that I hoped he would support the library. It was a relatively innocuous statement. I would not have said it if I thought it was a violation."

"I wasn't looking for any consensus, and there was no consensus," she added. "I learned something from the situation ... and I won't make such a comment in the future."

Later, Vice Mayor Ray Mueller reportedly contacted Ohtaki to talk about the library, but Ohtaki said he couldn't talk about it because he'd already talked about it, albeit briefly, with Keith. When Ohtaki was reminded that Keith is on the library subcommittee and may have discussed the matter with Cline, he then told the city attorney what had happened.

"My inadvertent mistake was forgetting which committee council member Keith was on," Ohtaki said. "This is one of the most complicated parts of the Brown Act. ... There are over 30 committees that we as council

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## Joint effort leads to launch next month of Peninsula Bikeway

By Kate Bradshaw

Almanac Staff Writer

For the past two years, city managers from Menlo Park, Palo Alto, Mountain View and Redwood City, along with senior staff at Stanford, have met monthly to talk about the transit and mobility problems that impact the region. The first outcome of their work together, the interim Peninsula Bikeway, will be unveiled Saturday, Sept. 8. The bikeway will follow, via coordinated signs, a preliminary designated route for cycling through Redwood City, Atherton, Menlo Park, Palo Alto and Mountain View.

The city managers' partnership, called the "Managers Mobility Partnership," or MMP, was convened by Joint Ventures Silicon Valley and is a historically unprecedented collaboration, according to JVSV CEO Russell Hancock.

But it's just a start. The interim route, which avoids most busy roads, necessarily zigs and zags because there are gaps in the network of bike lanes and cyclist-safe routes between the cities.

"It's not as direct as you would want it to be," explained Hugh Louch, principal at Alta Planning + Design, a consulting firm that focuses on multi-modal planning, describing the interim route.

"At this point, it's really piecing together what exists," he added.

Eventually, the coalition hopes to build a permanent bike route stretching from Redwood City to Mountain View that is more direct and higher-quality. The Sept. 8 event is intended to launch the process for the cities to begin collecting public feedback on what people want in such a route and where it should be located. Middlefield Road, El Camino Real, and along the Caltrain tracks are potential options to explore for a route, Hancock said.

Once a site is chosen, the partnership would have to figure out how to design the project, conduct environmental analysis and build it. Each of those steps would require funding, and as of now, the partnership doesn't have a clear funding source.

The cities have each contributed funding to the work that's been done so far. But moving forward, funding and building the project

will get complicated, Hancock said. The partnership might proceed by having each city pay for a segment of the project, or the group could look into forming a joint powers authority, which would have its own decision-making power, he explained.

Stanford policy students have already done some research into how to fund the bikeway project. They put together a report in 2017 that suggested forming a joint powers authority and levying a parcel tax, or implementing lease-revenue financing. The students found that nontraditional fundraising options, like some public-private partnerships, social impact bonds and crowdfunding, would likely not yield enough to fund the project.

In a previous study, students analyzed the pros and cons of installing the permanent bikeway along El Camino Real or along the Caltrain corridor. Their analysis at the time found that it would cost about \$18 million to build the El Camino Real bike route and \$37 million to build the Caltrain corridor bike route, not counting the \$17 million estimated cost to build a sound wall, or the \$200 million or more it would cost to add eight grade-separated rail line crossings for bikes.

### Why bikes?

Connecting existing bike infrastructure with cohesive signage between the four cities and Stanford was identified by the partnership as the "lowest-hanging fruit" among its priorities that could be easily achieved, Hancock explained.

In other countries like the Netherlands and Denmark, Hancock said, many people cycle as their primary mode of transport, even though those countries are less naturally suited for cycling than the Peninsula.

"Good grief, it's cold there. They have to go up hills. It rains all the time," he said. In contrast, he said, his hometown of Palo Alto has a Mediterranean climate, flat landscape, and a population that's health-minded and environmentally conscious.

"Yet none of us are on our bikes," he said. "There's something

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## It's lawyer versus engineer in Woodside council election

By Dave Boyce  
Almanac staff writer

With four open seats on the Woodside Town Council, the town will have four elections in November. Write-in candidates remain a possibility, but so far only one seat is contested: that of District 7, the neighborhoods along La Honda and Old La Honda roads, and areas west of Portola Road.

The two candidates are civil engineer Frank Rosenblum and attorney Ned Fluet. The winner will serve the two years remaining in the term of Peter Mason, who resigned from the council this past March.

Woodside has seven electoral districts. Council candidates must live in the district they seek to represent, but are elected by all the town's voters.

Fluet, 40, is a litigator for the Palo Alto law firm Lakin Spears, and currently chairs the town's Environment: Open Space, Conservation & Sustainability Committee, which he has been a member of for two

and a half years, he said.

Fluet told The Almanac that his priorities, should he be elected, include making improvements to the town's roads and its routes to school and businesses, and addressing the increase in traffic congestion. "I want to do more for the town," he said.

Rosenblum, 56, is president and owner of Underwood & Rosenblum Inc., a San Jose-based civil engineering and surveying firm. He is a five-year member and chair of the Circulation Committee, which addresses issues concerning public roads and their impacts on road users.

On his reasons for running, Rosenblum said: "I just want to be somebody who can review the issues, maybe without bias. A town like Woodside is older and set in its ways. A lot of (a council member's job) is just trying to preserve that, its rural character and its general plan."

Other names on the ballot will be: Brian Dombkowski, District 2; Sean Scott, District 4; and Richard Brown, District 6. ■

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members collectively serve on."

Keith told The Almanac that she and Cline had not discussed the library recently. Both attended a recent public meeting to learn more about the Hayward library, she said, but they didn't talk about it. Cline told The Almanac the last time they met as a subcommittee was Monday, Aug. 13, which Keith confirmed after checking her calendar.

McClure asked that the City Council meeting be canceled so he would have time to investigate the situation. Because no action was taken, no remedy to the violation is required beyond alerting the public about what had happened.

The council had been scheduled to discuss and potentially approve funds to move forward with developing a schematic design for a new main library, choosing a site for it — staff has recommended building it along Laurel Street rather than its current Alma Street location — and conducting a space needs study for the Belle Haven branch library.

The council previously set aside \$1 million for work on improvements to the city's libraries.

Staff has recommended that the matter be rescheduled for early 2019 because the city's library director and assistant

public works director positions are now vacant, there are a limited number of remaining meetings left in the year, and there will be at least one new council member following the November election.

Over the past week, the City Council has received about 15 emails expressing support for including affordable housing as part of a new main library construction project, and one opposed to the idea. ■

## County seeking commissioners

San Mateo County is searching for volunteers to fill vacancies on a range of county commissions, including the Commission on Disabilities (deadline Aug. 31), the North Fair Oaks Community Council (deadline Sept. 7), and a hospital representative to serve on the county's Health Commission (deadline Aug. 31).

For residents of the county's District 4 — people whose elected county supervisor is Warren Slocum — there is also an opening on the Civil Service Commission (deadline Sept. 7).

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wrong with this picture. Really, Silicon Valley should be the biking capital of America.”

**An unprecedented partnership**

As part of the partnership, each city manager signed an agreement committing to work on transportation problems with the other city managers, Hancock said.

In 2016, the city managers agreed to a set of guiding principles that included shared goals of improving walkability; enhancing bike lanes and bike safety; making it easier for transit riders to get between home and work via shuttles, bike-share or car-share programs; encouraging Caltrain to operate more frequently and with greater capacity; and promoting signal coordination across cities.

The city managers agreed to meet regularly; to encourage their staffs to work across city boundaries; to find resources for projects through private sector partnerships and federal, state and local grant opportunities; and to collect data and track progress. A key point of the partnership is that its members are city managers — who are considered the top city executives — rather than elected officials.

Still, city managers are expected to act in coordination with the elected officials they work for, Hancock said.

Among the other topics the group discusses regularly are U.S. 101, the Dumbarton corridor, grade separations along the Caltrain corridor, shuttles and signal coordination, Hancock said.

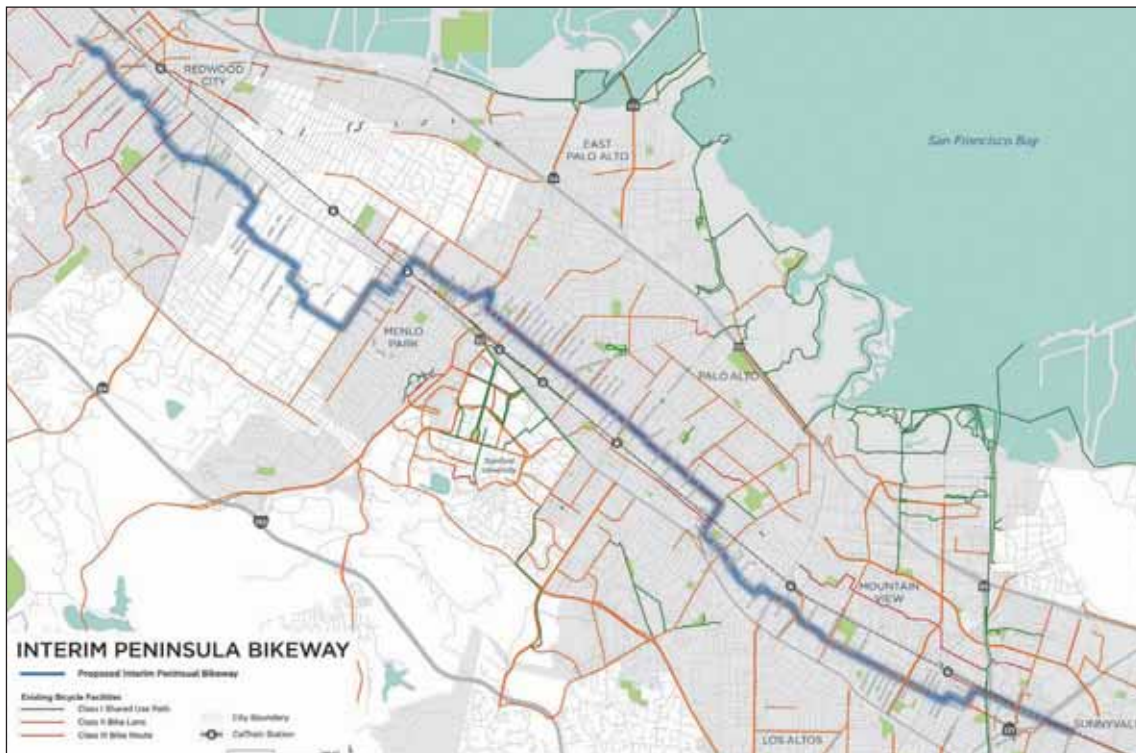
“A lot is beyond our jurisdictions,” he acknowledged. “So of course, we could wave our hands and say, ‘This is beyond us. Someone else needs to solve the problem.’”

But by working together, Hancock suggested, the partnership may wield more clout when it comes to applying for grants or seeking partnerships from the private sector than seeking funding as an individual city.

These four cities and Stanford, he said, are not just a “random region.” They drive Silicon Valley, and by extension, a large portion of the state and national economy, he said. “You need it to be firing on all cylinders.”

**If you go**

The interim bikeway’s launch will be held Saturday, Sept. 8, with group bike rides starting from Mountain View and Redwood City between 8 and 8:30 a.m. and scheduled to arrive at Burgess Park, 701 Laurel St. in Menlo Park, around 10 a.m. Elected



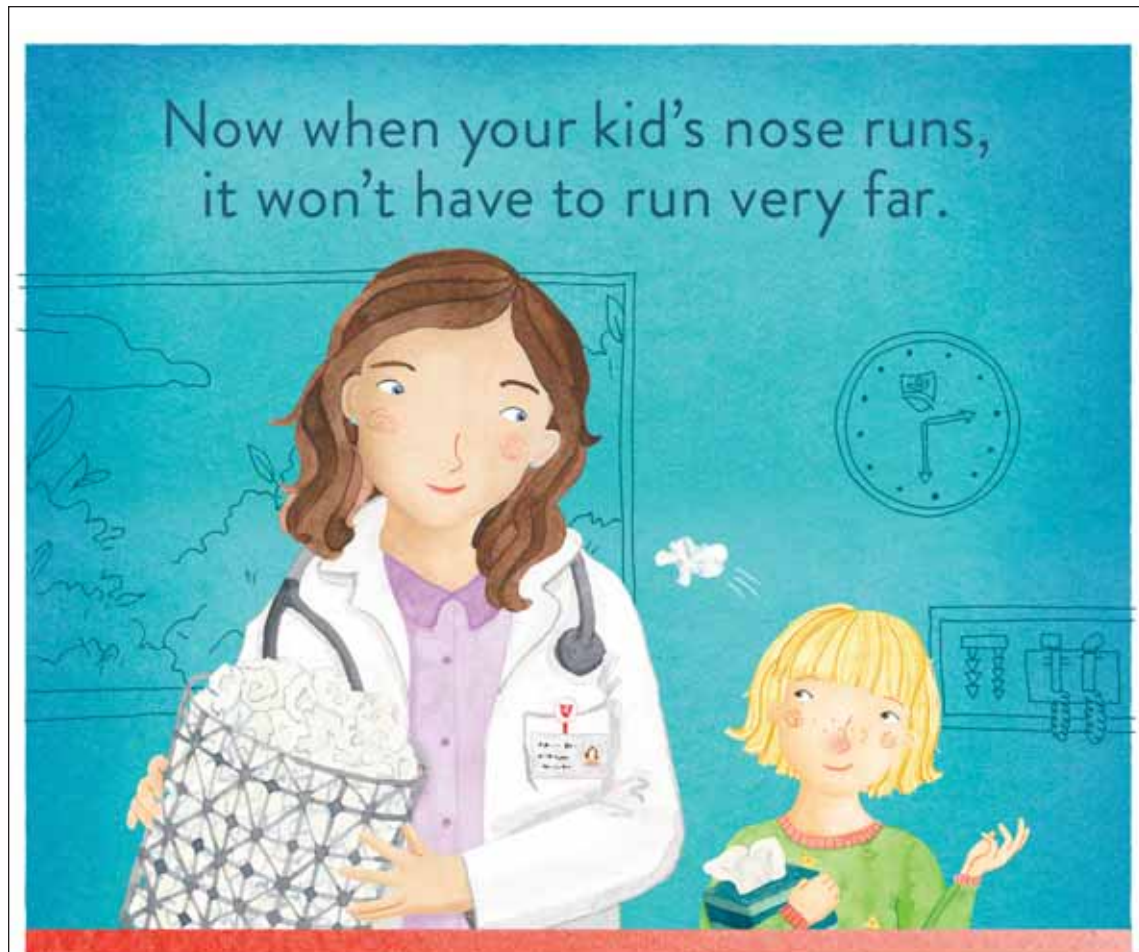
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**A map of the planned** interim Peninsula Bikeway, scheduled to launch Saturday, Sept. 8.

officials are scheduled to speak at 10:30 a.m.

At 11:30 a.m., food will be served. There will also be opportunities for families and kids to test out a pop-up separated bikeway and test ride an e-bike, according to Menlo Park officials.

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## Menlo fire staff wants aerial maps of district

By **Dave Boyce**  
Almanac Staff Writer

**W**eeks after drone pilots from the Menlo Park Fire Protection District provided the public with detailed aerial views of properties damaged by a wildfire in and around Redding, plans are now afoot to conduct aerial surveys of the fire district to determine exactly what is on the ground, as well as the moisture content of vegetation, including tree canopies.

The district has an interest in exactly what burns in a fire, district Fire Chief Harold Schapelhouman told The Almanac. For example, when looking down at a shed using a standard Google Earth map, "you just can't make it out," he said.

As for vegetation moisture levels, dead or dying trees are fuel for fires, and their proximity to a structure can determine whether that structure is consumed by flames or spared, Schapelhouman said.

The technology that could be used to perform these surveys — there could be several per year, Schapelhouman said — is in flux.

At first, based on a conversation with the drone crews, district officials were thinking of flying its drones at an altitude of 200 feet to read moisture levels and take high-resolution photos, Schapelhouman said.

To capture the entire district — Atherton, Menlo Park, East Palo Alto and adjacent unincorporated areas — the drones would do what was done above the damaged parcels in and around Redding: make consecutive passes over the area in the manner of tractors plowing a field.

Such a project, with drones flying over homes, would be likely to raise privacy concerns among residents.

A few days later, in another interview with The Almanac and after more conversation with drone crews, Schapelhouman distanced the district from a drone-based survey. "It's off the table, for now," he said. "We're going to explore (satellite surveys) with Google first. It depends on what resolution they have. ... We're going to try and work through them first to see if we could get what we need."

Moisture levels would be rendered as a color-coded map of the district, he said.

High-resolution photos, in addition to giving firefighters clues about what a fire consumes, can provide before-and-after views of destroyed parcels, as was done after the 2017 fire in Santa Rosa, Schapelhouman said.

Satellite surveys, if done through Google, could come at no cost to the district, Schapelhouman said, noting the company has, at times in the past, not charged the fire district for services. Google has provided free satellite images associated with a tornado in Kansas and images of the gas main explosion in San Bruno, he said. And on several occasions, the company sought the fire district's opinion on ideas to help people obtain information after a disaster.

### Moisture content

A survey of the moisture content of vegetation would focus on wooded areas, including the tree-lined streets of Atherton and Menlo Park.

"Atherton and Menlo Park have huge tree canopies," Schapelhouman said. "We've never looked at the health of the tree canopies."

A color-coded map would enable the district to "focus on where the dead and the dying (are)," along with vegetation in need of trimming.

Highly developed urban areas, such as parts of East Palo Alto and unincorporated North Fair Oaks, could be skipped, he said. "When you don't have the vegetation, you don't really need to do it," he said.

The moisture-content surveys would likely be done in the spring, ahead of the Fourth of July and its potential for illegal fireworks, and before the winter, since fire season in California is now a year-round phenomenon, he said.

If data on moisture content is unavailable from satellite sources, the district might try using a drone to take aerial photos, he said, noting that a test run could help in understanding the value of such a survey. "I (don't) know anybody that's done it," he added. "I wish I had someone to go talk to and ask."

Schapelhouman noted that staff can conduct such surveys of the district without first running the idea past the district's governing board.

Any such survey would be advertised in advance, he said. ▣

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

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In accordance with the provisions of California Public Contract Code Section 3300, the District has determined that the Contractor shall possess a valid Class B License or a combination of Class C-39 "Roofing Contractor," C-43 "Sheet Metal Contractor" and C-54 "Structural Steel Contractor" licenses at the time this contract is awarded. Failure to possess the specified license(s) shall render the bid as non-responsive and shall act as a bar to award of the contract to any bidder not possessing said license(s) at the time of award.

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

/s/ Phil Scott  
District Manager

Dated: July 31, 2018

## Toddler struck by car in private driveway expected to survive

By Dave Boyce  
Almanac Staff Writer

A 20-month-old child was in critical condition at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford on Monday, Aug. 27, after a 26-year-old man struck the toddler with his car on Sunday evening, Aug. 26, in a private driveway in the 200 block of Willow Road in Menlo Park, police said.

Hospital staff members said they expected the child to survive, according to an Aug. 27 statement from the Menlo Park Police Department.

The child was riding a toy vehicle between 6:30 and 6:40 p.m. when the collision with

a Ford Fusion occurred in the driveway as the driver had his car in reverse, police said. The driver did not see the child, police said. The collision took place about 30 feet from the public road.

The family took the child to the hospital, and police said they learned of the incident at about 8 p.m. from hospital staff. Investigators went to the hospital and to the scene of the incident, police said.

The driver, whom police did not identify except to say that he is related to the child, is cooperating in the investigation of the incident, police said, adding that drugs and alcohol were not a factor in the incident. ■

## Menlo Park man found dead in alley identified

The 79-year-old Menlo Park man found dead in an alley near his home on Sunday, Aug. 26, has been identified as Kenneth Chou, according to the San Mateo County Coroner's Office and the Menlo Park Police Department.

Officers responded at about 8:30 a.m. Sunday to a report of a man lying in an alley near his home in the 1100 block of Willow Road. Officers found him with a visible head wound, according to a police department statement. He was pronounced dead by emergency medical personnel at the scene.

Though there is no evidence of foul play, the Menlo Park

Police patrol and detectives' units, San Mateo County District Attorney's investigators, crime lab investigators and the county Coroner's Office have launched a joint investigation into the death.

Menlo Park Police spokeswoman Nicole Acker said in an email on Monday morning that the Coroner's Office will be conducting an autopsy Tuesday, adding that was all the new information she could provide. The investigation is ongoing, she said.

Anyone with information regarding the matter can contact the Menlo Park Police Department Detective Unit.

## Thursday: Public lecture on Kilauea volcano

The recent eruption of the Kilauea volcano on the big island of Hawaii will be the topic of a US Geological Survey public lecture by geophysicist Kyle Anderson on Thursday, Aug. 30.

Part of the USGS Menlo Park monthly lecture series, the talk starts at 7 p.m. in Building 3, in the 2nd floor Rambo Auditorium, 345 Middlefield Road.

The lecture, titled "What on Earth is going on at Kilauea Volcano," will include discussion of

some of the unique aspects of the recent activity, including the first significant summit explosions in nearly a century, the largest summit collapse volume since at least 1800 and voluminous fissure eruptions that fed the flow of a channel of lava to the ocean.

At [is.gd/ALM\\_USGS](http://is.gd/ALM_USGS) see a recent Almanac article about Anderson and other members of the USGS team who have been studying the Hawaiian volcano.

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# Dogs are in the limelight at Paws for Paws community event

An estimated 100-plus people came out to Burgess Park on Saturday, Aug. 25, for the Paws for Paws event sponsored by the Menlo Park Police Foundation, which included a fundraising walk, demonstrations, food trucks and raffles.

In addition to the pictured demonstration of Hardy apprehending a “criminal” on command, the demos also featured Menlo Park K-9 Officer Duke, who sniffed out drugs stashed in a car, and search and rescue dogs from the San Francisco Fire Department.

Menlo Park Police Chief Dave Bertini was master of ceremonies.

Working dogs weren’t the only canines present: Dog owners were invited to bring their pets along to enjoy the summer’s day, and the park with filled with canines of all types and sizes.

The event was a fundraiser for the police department’s K-9 program, scholarships that support victims of crime, and programs that fund youth-related community sports.



Photo by Robert Most

**Hardy, the K-9 cop**, displayed aerial ability as well as his skills at apprehension during the Paws for Paws fundraising event. His handler, Menlo Park Police Officer Manny Torres, was close by to steady a very well-padded faux criminal in the demo.

## ■ POLICE CALLS

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

### ATHERTON

#### Thefts:

■ The owners of two unlocked vehicles parked on Greenoaks Drive reported to police the theft of sunglasses and camera equipment. Estimated losses: items valued at \$1,365 from one vehicle and \$3,235 from the other. Aug. 6.

■ A resident of Manzanita Road told police that someone stole \$160 in cash and \$600 in travelers checks. The resident made the discovery one day after having guests over for dinner, and no one else had been on the property on that day, police said. Aug. 6.

### MENLO PARK

#### Thefts:

■ Police arrested and released a transient woman on suspicion that she shoplifted food and cosmetic wipes from Walgreens on Santa Cruz Avenue. A woman fled the store after employees confronted her, but she was detained a short distance away, police said. Police found the allegedly stolen items in her bags. The woman was on

probation at the time of her arrest, police said. Aug. 23.

■ Police arrested and booked, without incident, a 24-year-old Redwood City man on suspicion of shoplifting food and wine from the Safeway at 525 El Camino Real. The man fled the store when confronted by employees, but police picked him up a short distance away and say they found stolen items in his backpack. The man was on probation at the time of his arrest, police said. Aug. 23.

■ A resident of San Mateo Drive told police that she suspects a woman seen walking in her driveway may have stolen a package from her porch. The resident said the woman had something in her hand, but that she could not tell what it was, and that she had not been expecting any deliveries. It’s unknown whether there were losses. Aug. 23.

**Trespassing:** Police arrested and booked a 46-year-old San Jose man after he locked himself in the bathroom at Peet’s Coffee & Tea at 515 El Camino Real and refused to come out despite several requests by employees. The man also refused “numerous legal commands” from police officers. When he finally did make his exit, he was arrested on suspicion of trespassing and obstructing a police officer. Aug. 23.



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# Fire board accepts some, rejects other civil grand jury recommendations

By Barbara Wood  
Almanac Staff Writer

The Menlo Park Fire Protection District board last week agreed to reject eight findings and four recommended actions in a recent San Mateo County Civil Grand Jury report critical of the district.

The board agreed to implement six other recommended actions from the report, including

developing a strategic plan and updating a fire station location and land acquisition plan.

"We respectfully disagree" with some of the report's conclusions, Fire Chief Harold Schapelhouman said, "and we agree with far more than we disagree with."

The board rejected more than 40 percent of the report's conclusions: four of 10 recommended actions and eight of 19 findings.

Fire board member Virginia Chang Kiraly was not at the meeting.

## Defending ourselves

Perhaps the most heartfelt arguments against the grand jury report came when the fire board had moved to another item at its Aug. 21 meeting.

"It seems like we're defending ourselves instead of being allowed to celebrate the fact that we've done a good job," said Schapelhouman after cataloging how the district has hired 30 new employees, finished two new fire stations, bought multiple properties and put many new emergency response vehicles into service in the past four years.

"What most people would want to achieve in 30 years, we've just achieved in four," he said.

One of the report's main criticisms is that the district is doing all those things without a strategic plan to guide it, as much of the area it serves -- Menlo Park, East Palo Alto, Atherton and adjoining county areas -- rapidly grows.

"Yes," Schapelhouman said, "we don't have a strategic plan, but we'll get there."

The district has until Oct. 10 to respond to the report. The district must explain any disagreement with the report's findings or failure to implement recommended actions. The 2018-19 grand jury will review the district's responses.

Schapelhouman said he will return to the board with a draft of the responses for review and approval on Sept. 18.

## Impact fees

Several of the report's conclusions regard impact fees. One recommended action was that if the district needs to charge developers impact fees, it should provide the jurisdictions the district serves enough information to convince them to implement those fees by the end of 2019.

"This (recommendation) assumes we have impact fees because we need the money," Director Peter Carpenter said. "It's not true that we don't have the money. Impact fees are trying to get developers to pay their own way. I don't think we should use the taxpayers' money to pay for Facebook."

The board also disagreed with the recommendation to talk to officials in the jurisdictions it covers "to evaluate if impact fees on new development are necessary to adequately fund district operations in future years" by the end of this year.

The board and chief also

disagreed with the finding that because the district does not have "a strategic plan, associated financial analysis, and land acquisition plan," it "was unable to persuade" the jurisdictions it covers "to adopt impact fees on new residential and commercial developments."

Carpenter instead blamed Atherton City Manager George Rodericks and Menlo Park City Manager Alex McIntyre for derailing the fire district's attempts to impose impact fees. "These two individuals colluded to say we're not going to let the fire district do this," he said.

Impact fees must be imposed by the jurisdictions the fire district serves and passed back to the district. The district gave up negotiating to get Menlo Park, Atherton, East Palo Alto and San Mateo County to adopt the fees after their officials started asking for more information about the district's need for the money.

Instead, the district has been negotiating directly with developers for payments, a practice the grand jury faulted.

## Facebook 'donations'

Three other findings and a recommended action the district rejected have to do with Facebook payments to the district. The grand jury report says by soliciting or accepting donations from a business "subject to inspection and regulation" by district employees, the fire district "has created the possible appearance of favorable treatment or disparate application of rules or laws."

"This is a totally fallacious assumption," said Schapelhouman. "These are not donations."

The district's attorney, Tim Cremin, noted that "the word donation is not in the agreement" the district has with Facebook.

So far, Schapelhouman told The Almanac, Facebook has paid the district \$689,250 in negotiated impact fees in addition to \$746,000 in building permit, plan check and inspection fees. Facebook will pay additional fire district impact fees with future development.

Facebook is paying the full cost for a district fire inspector and half a plan checker for at least two years. In return, it is promised inspections within 24 hours of requests (even during off hours and days), a one-week turnaround of minor tenant improvement plans and a three-week turnaround of other plans.

The grand jury recommendation that the district should adopt a policy "not to pursue or accept donations from any private entity over which it exercises any official powers, such as building or plan inspection, or enforcement of any law or regulation" by the end of 2018 was also opposed by the board.

Schapelhouman told the board earlier in the meeting that the district is still negotiating with Facebook and may "embed" a fire district emergency planner on the Facebook campus.

## Atherton home purchase

The board disagreed with two findings concerning a February 2017 report by consulting firm Citygate. One finding said Citygate recommended the district look for a new location for its Atherton fire station before making a final decision on moving the Atherton and North Fair Oaks stations.

Board members did not discuss the finding, but on page 13 the Citygate report says exactly what the grand jury report says: "Before making final site decisions on Stations #3 (Atherton) and #5 (North Fair Oaks), Citygate recommends the District try to find an acceptable parcel to move Station #3."

The district also rejected the finding that "notwithstanding the Citygate recommendation," the district purchased a home next door to the station "reportedly to eventually expand the station."

The district bought a home next to the Atherton station for \$4.6 million a few months after approving the Citygate report.

Carpenter said the Citygate report assumed "that we would never be able to expand Station 3."

## Accreditation

The final two findings and recommended action the district rejected concern accreditation. One says the district has not "progressed beyond the first phase of the accreditation process since 2011."

Fire board President Chuck Bernstein said he agreed with the statement, but no other board members spoke up.

"We have made progress, but we have not progressed beyond the first phase," he said.

The second finding says the district's "management and governance structure has not demonstrated the ability to balance ongoing emergency response responsibilities with administrative and planning functions" which has delayed "completing a strategic plan and achieving accreditation."

"I adamantly disagree with this statement," Carpenter said. "We do it every day, we do it every month."

The district is now working on an accreditation plan, but the board and chief disagreed with the recommendation that the district commit to completing the process by the end of 2019, saying it would take longer than that.

At [is.gd/ALM\\_Jury](http://is.gd/ALM_Jury) see a longer version of this story, including a complete list of the grand jury recommendations the fire district agrees to comply with. ▣



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that because the number of persons running for Town Council does not exceed the number of offices to be filled at the general election scheduled for November 6, 2018, and there is no other matter on the ballot, the Town Council of the Town of Portola Valley, at its August 22, 2018 meeting, cancelled the November 6, 2018 election.

Sharon Hanlon  
Clerk of the Town of Portola Valley

August 23, 2018

## Lois Q. Shellworth

May 16, 1928 – August 8, 2018

Lois Q. Shellworth, a resident of Atherton, CA for 48 years, died August 8. She was 90.

Lois Jeanne Queirolo was born in Oakland, CA, and spent her childhood in San Francisco in the Crocker-Amazon neighborhood. She attended Corpus Christi School and Notre Dame High School. After high school, she enrolled in the University of California, Berkeley where she was a member of the Delta Delta Sorority. After college, she worked at the Leo J. Meyberg Co, a wholesale distributor for radio, T.V., and appliances.

Lois met her husband, Tom Shellworth, in San Francisco and they were married in 1955. While raising their three children she was very involved in their school activities and events, and in her church community of St Denis. Lois, a loving mother and wife, treasured her time with her family and traveled extensively with her husband. Her wish was that the closeness and caring that characterized her family be nurtured forever in her children and grandchildren. This is the legacy of her faith and family.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband, Tom. They were married 50 years. Lois is survived by her children, Thomas Jr. (Debbie) of Vacaville, Susan Hull (Sandy) of Laguna Hills, and Peter (Elizabeth) of Clovis, and eight grandchildren, Bill Hull (Nicole), Patrick Hull, Bobby Shellworth, Joe Shellworth, Charlie Hull, Sally Shellworth, Danny Shellworth and Mary Kate Shellworth, and two great grandchildren, Amelia and John Hull.

On Friday, August 31, at 11 a.m. a memorial mass is scheduled at St. Denis Church, 2250 Avy Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025.



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# JOURNEY OF HOPE

Portola Valley residents find promise in Arctic ice melt research

By Kate Daly Special to the Almanac

**F**resh back from measuring ice melt in the Arctic, Carol Sontag is not only alarmed about climate change, she's doing something about it.

It took her more than a day to get from her home in Portola Valley to the tundra last month, where she performed two days of testing, but she found the trip was well worth it because it reinforced her faith in the work of fellow Portola Valley resident Leslie Field.

A University of California-Berkeley, and MIT-trained engineer, Field runs the nonprofit Ice911 in Menlo Park. For 12 years the company has been experimenting with spreading layers of reflective sand on top of ice in the Sierra Nevada, Minnesota and Alaska to try to slow down the melting process and promote ice build up.

Sontag is a nurse at Palo Alto Unified School District, where over the years she has noticed more and more students are reliant on EpiPens and inhalers. She believes the uptick in endocrine and respiratory illnesses is related to climate change. Extreme weather events, for example, can lead to wildfires, which in turn impact air quality.

The documentary "An Inconvenient Truth" prompted her family to install solar panels, drive hybrid cars, and recycle, but Sontag decided she wanted to be an even better steward of the earth. When she heard about Field's hands-on approach to tackling global warming, Sontag got excited — and involved.

She now serves on Ice911's governing board, and wrote this account about her recent research trip with Field, an inventor with 54 U.S. patents whose doctorate in electrical engineering was earned from UC-Berkeley:

## Journey to the North

On July 10 I am sitting on a plane bound for Utqiagvik, Alaska (formerly known as Barrow), chosen as an Ice911 test site for the deployment of its reflective silica sand. Climate modeling has shown great promise for Leslie Field's

solutions, and the team currently uses several buoys to monitor the thickness and reflectivity of the ice on the North Slope of Alaska close to this town.

Total travel time door-to-door has been close to 30 hours, and as our plane flies over the Arctic I can see first-hand the thinning ice.

We touch down on a runway surrounded by Arctic on one side and bay on the other. The sun is bright, the sky a beautiful blue with crisp cool air.

We stop at Ukpeagvik Inupiat Corporation research facility to grab our keys to the research dormitory, which houses scientists from all over the world. Some test carbon dioxide or methane levels, others are more interested in Arctic plant and wildlife, but all share a concern for what is happening to our Earth. The large communal kitchen and dining area allow scientists to talk and exchange ideas and research.

We place our belongings in our rooms and don high waterproof boots and warm clothing to set out through the spongy, partially frozen, boggy tundra. At first the yellow tundra looks barren and desolate, but the moment we step into this vast expanse we can see it is teeming with life. Lemmings, hares, birds of all types are visible, and various insects buzz our ears as a snowy owl swoops down to capture prey. Polar bears are at sea ice hunting, but they will soon return to land when the ice is no longer thick enough to support their weight, or isn't close enough to shore. Arctic fox and Caribou also call this place home.

As we hike to the Ice911 test site I think about how much better the weather conditions are today, with a high of 38 degrees, compared with the previous trips this year. Two areas at the lake, each roughly the size of a football field, were treated in March and April, when temperatures ranged between -20 and 5 degrees. Instead of walking, team members used snowmobiles then and looked out for polar bears. As beautiful as these creatures are, we don't want to come in contact with bears that are

indiscriminate in what they eat.

After an hour of hiking, we arrive at the lake, which the town has permitted to serve as a test site for three years. In past seasons supercomputer modeling results at this location have shown a slowdown in the melt and even some restoration of the ice that has been lost due to rising carbon dioxide levels and increased temperatures in the Arctic.

Our primary goal is to look for indicators that the test site's reflective sand is shielding the ice and slowing down the melting process. We carefully packed in a drone named "Maverick" to the North Meadow Lake. The drone flew over the control and experimental fields to look at ice albedo or reflectivity.

By recording and analyzing the drone footage, Ice911 research scientist Roman Decca is able to determine that

the reflectivity of the experimentally treated ice is greater than the control area. This confirms what computer modeling has shown from earlier testing and is extremely important in the world of climate change since the loss of much of the old reflective polar ice has caused the Earth's temperatures to rise. If we can restore the reflectivity of the ice, it will have a positive impact on the Arctic.

Next we check on some buoys placed to gather data during the winter and spring months in the Arctic, when conditions are at their most challenging.

Over two days we photograph the test site, measure the lake's size, and gather samples of soil, water, ice and reflective material. On our final day we are met



**Above: Carol Sontag** visits Point Barrow at the end of her trip to Alaska. Photo by Roman Decca. In background photo: A view of the test site at North Meadow Lake. Photo by Carol Sontag.



Photo by Carol Sontag

**Leslie Field** and Ice911 research scientist Roman Decca collect samples in the Arctic during the research trip in July.

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with menacing clouds of mosquitoes recently hatched in the Arctic melt ponds.

When we return with our samples, data and video to the research facility, I calculate that I have slept 12 hours in the last three days, but the enduring Arctic sun tricks me into believing that sleep is unnecessary and keeps me moving forward.

The townspeople have come to know and respect the work of Leslie Field and acknowledge her with a smile or a nod when they see her at one of the few restaurants or pushing a grocery cart at the store. They too are facing consequences of sea ice loss with increased flooding, loss of coastal land and thawing of permafrost, which causes destabilization of roads and buildings.

The presence of climate scientists reassures residents of this small town, with an average elevation of 15 feet above sea level, that they are not alone and someone is working on finding solutions.

We drive to the tip of Point Barrow, the northernmost point



Photo by Carol Sontag

A flowering plant found in the Arctic tundra.

of the United States. The sea is scattered with icebergs floating in a still ocean. It is a perfect ending to a quick trip, and we relish the few hours taking photos and talking to locals before we board our flight home.

### Fundraiser

Ice911 is hosting a fundraiser on Thursday, Aug. 30, from 6 to 9 p.m. at Thomas Fogarty

Winery in Woodside.

Go to [tinyurl.com/icerestore30](http://tinyurl.com/icerestore30) to buy tickets for Restore the Arctic, Restore the Climate. ▣

**About the cover:** Carol Sontag at Point Barrow during her July research visit. Photo by Roman Decca.



Courtesy of Tour de Menlo

Riders roll along during the Aug. 18 Tour de Menlo event.

## Tour de Menlo riders raise funds for scholarships

More than 400 cyclists from all over the Bay Area took part in the 15th Tour de Menlo bicycle ride on Aug. 18 — a fundraiser for need-based college scholarships and The Almanac's Holiday Fund.

The ride is co-sponsored by The Almanac and the Rotary Club of Menlo Park Foundation, which awards \$125,000 in scholarships to students who cannot afford to go to college

on their own.

This year's scholars were students at Eastside College Prep, Menlo-Atherton High School, and Sacred Heart Prep. In almost all cases, the students will be the first in their family to attend college.

This year's bike ride featured three routes, with various amounts of hill-climbing. The longer ride went to Belmont and returned to the Portola

Valley Fire Station rest stop, and then on to Los Altos and the Madrone park site in Stevens Canyon. The shorter routes also traversed Los Altos and turned around at the Madrone park rest stop.

Ride chairman Tom Gibboney, who co-founded the ride in 2004 with Dick Givens, said he was happy with the turnout, which was up nearly 50 riders from last year.

# Hearing loss treatment leads to first words for young refugee

By Kate Daly  
Special to The Almanac

‘Papa’ was the first word to come out of Bilal’s mouth on that momentous day in August. Few thought the 11-year-old Afghan refugee would ever speak, but with a team of audiologists at Pacific Hearing Service in Menlo Park advocating for him, he started uttering sounds.

His father cried, and the audiologists got emotional too, knowing what a confluence of unusual circumstances led to this miraculous moment for a boy who has suffered from severe hearing loss since he was a baby.

Due to his lack of hearing, Bilal never went to school in Afghanistan, and communicated with his parents and three younger sisters by making up his own sign language.

The family resettled in Sacramento last September. When Menlo Park audiologist Dr. Jane Baxter learned about Bilal’s case this summer, she offered to help, optimistic that “Bilal will now have the opportunity to participate in school, communicate with his family, and we hope, realize his potential to lead a full life.”

In July her team spent several



Photo by Jane Baxter

**Ahmad Popal** waits with his son, Bilal, during a visit to the audiologist in Menlo Park.

hours testing him to see if hearing aids would be a suitable solution, and helped him get fitted for them. He returned in August wearing his new hearing aids, and after two more hours of free follow-up testing, evaluating, and coaxing, Bilal also said “mama,” “up,” and “bye.”

His father, Ahmad Popal, expressed thanks to everyone in the Menlo Park office for the breakthrough, and willingly

shared his family’s complicated back-story with The Almanac because the newspaper played a part in making all this possible.

### A long journey

Popal considers himself one of the lucky ones. After receiving death threats from the Taliban, he went to the U.S. Embassy in Kabul and was able to get his wife and children out of the country on a special immigrant visa. The

visa provides a green card and pathway to U.S. citizenship for people who serve as interpreters, translators or “perform sensitive and trusted activities for the U.S. government” for at least two years, according to the U.S. Department of State website.

Popal worked as a supervisor at a water and wastewater treatment laboratory for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for several years. He said he started receiving threatening letters and phone calls accusing him of being an American spy, and then his brother-in-law, who had worked as a technician, disappeared on his way to the market.

Popal said the Taliban sent him a video showing his relative being shot after being forced to say he was a spy. Popal described his brother-in-law’s body “hanging in a tree for a few days.”

After that, Popal recalled his office compound being attacked by a suicide bomber in a truck, and the shock of being a witness when “lots of people died.” That happened in 2013, and Popal still suffers from sleeping problems related to the trauma.

He is now studying to be a medical assistant, and said he is especially grateful for the many

helping hands that have come forward to treat Bilal since being scammed by “fake doctors” in Afghanistan. In that 2009 incident, Popal saw an advertisement that promised “to help the deaf.” He collected \$8,000 from family members to pay for corrective surgery.

After 45 minutes in the waiting room, the family went to check on Bilal and found him sitting alone. The “German doctors” had taken off with the money through the back door.

These days, Popal’s daughter’s teacher, Katie Sluis, is at the top of his long thank-you list. In June the teacher attended a traveling art exhibit of pictures made by Syrian children living in the Zaatari refugee camp in Jordan.

The person who pulled together the collection is Maggie Conroy, an art therapist who volunteered alongside Baxter, the Menlo Park audiologist, on a humanitarian mission trip to Jordan in 2017. Conroy entertained families while they waited for audiologists to treat them.

On that same trip, Conroy met the art instructor who works with the Syrian refugees. Conroy

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# Serving up happy campers

## CAMPER OWNERS HOPE TO LIVEN UP THE MENLO PARK DINING SCENE

By Elena Kadvany

**C**hef Greg Kuzia-Carmel, who has cooked in some of San Francisco's top kitchens, and managing partner Logan Levant, former owner of Los Angeles' Buttercake Bakery, are gearing up to open the doors of 898 Santa Cruz Ave. by Labor Day, Sept. 3.

They have renovated what used to be a steakhouse into a modern, comfortable space they hope will be approachable but also bring a new level of dining to Menlo Park.

"We say we want it to be the place you come three days a week," Levant said, standing in the nearly finished dining room with light pouring in from a wall of large windows facing University Drive. "You join us at the bar one night and then for brunch on the

weekends and (also) to have a proper sit-down meal."

Kuzia-Carmel and Levant met two years ago in an investor's kitchen, where Kuzia-Carmel was doing private cooking for the family Levant had known for a while. He was thinking about what he wanted to do next after his experience at the three Michelin-starred Quince, Cotogna and Outlands in San Francisco and Per Se in New York City; she was considering where to pursue a new project outside of the oversaturated Los Angeles market.

One thing led to another, and eventually they partnered with Roland Passot of the South Bay's Left Bank Brasseries and La Folie in San Francisco. They took over LB Steak in downtown Menlo Park after

it closed in April.

Camper will initially be open for dinner and later expand to lunch and weekend brunch. The menu will feature hand-made pastas, roasted chicken, a burger and market-driven salads, among other dishes.

Kuzia-Carmel promises plenty of vegan and gluten-free options. There will also be a kids' menu. Shawn Gawle, the executive pastry chef at Quince and Cotogna, and others are consulting on the pastry menu.

"We came to this project basically saying, 'We don't have a concept that we want to impinge upon the community; we just want to come in here, talk to the neighborhood' ... we want this to feel like something that was brought about because the people asked for it," Kuzia-Carmel said.

The restaurant's name alludes to the philosophy that everyone should leave the restaurant a happy camper. It also contains references to the restaurant's California cuisine (CA) and city location (MP).

The cocktail menu will offer an "eclectic mix of classics as well as interesting, fun creations," Kuzia-Carmel said. The wine menu will have a "sustainable mentality" with an eye toward "familiar" but interesting bottles as well as some rarer, "exceptional" wines.

As you enter Camper, there is a communal table custom-made from salvaged pistachio wood by San Francisco woodworker Luke Bartels. The communal table, as well as the 12-seat bar, will be available for walk-ins. Most of an outdoor patio on Santa Cruz Avenue and half of the dining room will also be available for walk-ins. The full menu will be available both at the bar and on the patio.

Famed Heath Ceramics did the tilework behind the bar. Hidden underneath the bar are Silicon Valley-friendly



Photos courtesy of Eric Wolfinger

**The renovated dining room** at Camper, which is in the former LB Steak location on Santa Cruz Avenue at University Drive.



**Ribeye for two** will be on the menu.

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brought over a set of their paintings and hung them on the walls at Pacific Hearing Service. (The Almanac published a cover story about this last year, and many members of the community came to see the art.)

Audiologist and Pacific Hearing Service co-owner Dr. Debbie Clark said that "because of the story (The Almanac) did, the art exhibit was such a success that Maggie was able to take it on the road."

The first stop was Sacramento, where Sluis met Conroy, and

they talked about Bilal. Conroy then called her audiologist friends on the Peninsula to see if his case could fall under the nonprofit branch of their business, Pacific Hearing Connection, which usually recycles donated equipment and treats patients on a sliding scale.

In July the teacher drove Bilal and his father to Menlo Park so Bilal could be tested by a medical team that included Baxter and pediatric audiologist Dr. Jody Winzelberg, who was at Stanford University at the time and is now associated with San Jose State University.

Over several hours their

assessment showed that Bilal has some hearing in both ears; they then contacted California Children's Services to speed up the process for him to obtain hearing aids from Sutter Health.

Conroy then brought Bilal and Popal back to Menlo Park in August so the audiologists could run more free tests to see how well Bilal is processing sound with hearing aids. They determined he can hear up to 45 percent in the left ear and up to 22 percent in the right ear if the sound is at the level of a shout.

The next step is for him to get an MRI to understand what might have caused his hearing

electrical outlets and USB ports.

A large private dining room can seat up to 60 people. Equipped with AV technology and a flat screen TV, Kuzia-Carmel envisions it as a space for tech companies to gather, hear pitches and hold board meetings. When it's not booked for private use, it will be used as additional dining space.

The private dining room was designed to feel like part of the restaurant rather than a sterile add-on. One wall is covered in wood and another with a minimalist mural by San Francisco artist Elan Evans.

"The most important thing that we came into this project with was to give this property a heartbeat," Kuzia-Carmel said.

The 4,000-square-foot restaurant seats up to 126 people, including the private room.

As the restaurant gets up and running, Camper will serve dinner, Tuesday through Saturday from 5 to 10 p.m. Camper will eventually be open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., with "all-day brunch" on Sundays. ■

Elena Kadvany writes for the Palo Alto Weekly, The Almanac's sister paper.

loss and complete his diagnosis. Winzelberg said he could be a candidate for one or two cochlear implants, but a surgeon has already warned her that Bilal is older than the average cochlear implant patient.

She also said Bilal might not hear well enough with hearing aids to learn how to speak clearly, but her conclusion after two sessions is, "he's so stimuable."

Audiologists Winzelberg and Clark placed their hands and his hands on moving lips and vibrating voice boxes to demonstrate to Bilal how air and parts of the body change when different sounds are made. They

found him to be a fast and eager learner, and suggested that he aim beyond the special education program where he is currently enrolled and learning American Sign Language.

"Now we have definite goals for him, he needs auditory training, speech and language training," Winzelberg said.

As for Conroy, her goal is to take the show, Hearing the Call Art Initiative, to Indiana, Arizona and New York. She is also hoping to visit orphanages in Iraq this fall, and to bring back more artwork from Jordan so she can sell it to help support the artists and their families. ■

# Arts fair returns to Woodside for Labor Day weekend

**By Dave Boyce**  
Almanac staff writer

If you're in the mood for perusing fine art and maybe buying a piece or two, you're in luck.

The 55th annual Kings Mountain Art Fair — a three-day celebration of fine arts and crafts in the dappled shade of a redwood forest — is from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Sept. 1, 2 and 3, at the Kings Mountain Fire Station and Community Center at 13889 Skyline Blvd. in Woodside. Admission is free; the food and art are not.

The fair includes the works of more than 135 juried artists from around the West. The artwork includes ceramics, clothing, glass, jewelry, leather, paintings, photography, sculpture, and textiles and fibers, according to the fair's website. Local artists are represented in the Mountain Artists section of the fair.

Go to [kingsmountainartfair.org](http://kingsmountainartfair.org) and click on the Artists link to get an idea of what to expect.

Breakfast is available as early as 8 a.m. and the menu



Photo courtesy Kings Mountain Art Fair

Artists from around the West and from the local area will have their work on display for sale at the Kings Mountain Arts Fair on Labor Day weekend.

includes eggs, sausage and pancakes. For lunch, which runs from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., the menu includes burgers, corn on the cob, chili and nachos. "Our volunteers at the cook shack seek out the

highest quality ingredients every year, like 100 (percent) natural beef," the website says.

Proceeds from the fair benefit Kings Mountain Elementary School — a three-room school that serves kindergarten

through fifth grade — and the Kings Mountain Volunteer Fire Brigade. Kings Mountain firefighters face the same training and certification requirements as professionals and typically respond to more

than 300 emergencies a year, the website says.

Fair organizers say they are working toward a "zero-waste" footprint. After the 2017 fair, they say they composted 37 percent of the trash and recycled 45 percent, leaving 18 percent for the landfill.

The fair location is not served by public transportation, but shuttles serve two parking spots along Skyline Boulevard if driving from the south: at the Purisima Creek Redwoods Open Space Preserve parking area about a mile south of the fair, and at the intersection of Kings Mountain Road and Skyline. If driving in from the north, parking will be available at the intersection of Ware Road and Skyline.

Out of concern for the safety of attendees, aside from service dogs, pets are not allowed at the fair.

As for music, the site lacks a venue for an audience, and wandering musicians have resulted in congestion, the website says. Fair officials invite the public to "enjoy the sounds of the forest." ■

## CALENDAR

### Theater

**'The Legend of Georgia McBride'** The Los Altos Stage Company will present "The Legend of Georgia McBride," a comedy about an Elvis impersonator who is replaced by a B-level drag show. Sept. 6-7, Sept. 12-14, Sept. 19-21 and Sept. 26-28, 8 p.m. \$18-\$22. Bus Barn Theatre, 97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos.

**'Northanger Abbey'** Pear Theatre presents "Northanger Abbey," adapted by Pear founder Diane Tasca from the novel by Jane Austen. In this play, Northanger Abbey follows several young ladies and gentlemen as they negotiate romances, friendships, betrothals and betrayals. Through Sept. 3, 8 p.m. \$15-\$35. The Pear Theatre, 1110 La Avenida St., Mountain View. Search [facebook.com/events](http://facebook.com/events) for more info.

**TheatreWorks Silicon Valley Presents 'Native Gardens'** Award-winning playwright Karen Zacarias wrote TheatreWorks' new play "Native Gardens," a suburban comedy about a Latino couple that moves in next to a prominent Washington, D.C. family. Conflicts over fences and flora escalate into a strong dialogue about race, taste, class and privilege. Through Sept. 16, times vary. \$40-\$100. Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro St., Mountain View. [theatreworks.org/201819-season](http://theatreworks.org/201819-season)

### Concerts

**Summer Concert Series: William Russ, Jr. (R&B/Soul)** Detroit singer Will Russ Jr. will sing interpretations and new vocal arrangements as part of the Summer Concert Series. Aug. 29, 6:30-8 p.m. Free. Kelly Park, 100 Terminal Ave., Menlo Park. [menlopark.org](http://menlopark.org)

### Festivals & Fairs

**Bay Area Lebanese Festival** The eighth annual San Francisco Bay Area Lebanese Festival will offer Lebanese music, folk dance dabke, food and drinks. Sept. 1, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Free. Courthouse Square, 2200 Broadway St., Redwood City. Search [meetup.com](http://meetup.com) for more info.

**Portola Valley Farmers Market** Year-round Thursday farmers market features fresh fruits and vegetables, berries, specialty foods, fresh artisan baked goods, farm meats and eggs, honey, jams, nuts and nut butters, prepared foods, hot Roli Roti Chickens, made-to-order

crepes, tamales, crafts and body products. Thursdays, 2-6 p.m. Free. Portola Valley Town Center, 765 Portola Road, Portola Valley.

### Film

**'Angst' Film Screening and Discussion on Teens and Anxiety** The Sequoia Union High School District Wellness Advisory Council will be hosting a free screening of "Angst: Raising Awareness Around Anxiety," which includes interviews with swimmer Michael Phelps, teens, parents and experts. A student discussion will follow the film and health groups will staff resource tables with information. Sept. 6, 7-8:30 p.m. Free. Woodside High School Performing Arts Center, 199 Churchill Ave., Woodside. [angst2018woodside.eventbrite.com](http://angst2018woodside.eventbrite.com)

### Talks & Lectures

**The Future of Meat in America: This is Now with Angie Coiro** Bay Area radio journalist Angie Coiro will be joined by Nicolette Hahn Niman, who will speak about the problems of industrialized food production, and Rebekah Moses, who leads sustainability and agriculture at Impossible Foods. Sept. 4, 7:30-9 p.m. Free. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Search [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com) for more info.

**Kepler's Books Daytime Literary Seminars** In this series, author and former adjunct professor at Berkeley discusses four books selected for the spring 2018 seminars, and the series is meant to help participants read better through entertaining lectures and discussions. Select Wednesdays through December, 1-2:30 p.m. \$48, one seminar; \$160, complete series. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Search [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com) for more info.

**Kim Steinhardt at Books Inc. Palo Alto** Marine wildlife photographer, ocean conservationist and columnist Kim Steinhardt will discuss his novel, "The Edge: The Pressured Past and Precarious Future of California's Coast." Sept. 6, 7-9 p.m. Free. Books Inc. Palo Alto, 855 El Camino Real, Palo Alto. [booksinc.net](http://booksinc.net)

**Philosophy Talk Live at Kepler's with Guest Steven Pinker** Kepler's Books invites a live audience to listen in on a recording of a new episode of "Philosophy Talk." Hosts Ken Taylor and Josh Landy will be joined by cognitive scientist Steven Pinker, author of "Enlightenment Now: The Case for Reason, Science, Humanism and Progress." Sept. 6, 7-8:30 p.m. \$15-\$45. Kepler's Books, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. Search [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com) for more info.

**SRI Organon Toastmasters** SRI Organon

Toastmasters helps community members become better public speakers and leaders by providing a supportive, positive environment for practicing communication and leadership skills. Guests are welcome to visit and join. Tuesdays, year-round. Free. St. Patrick's Seminary & University, Redon Hall, 320 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. [sriorganon.com](http://sriorganon.com)

**'What on Earth is going on at Kilauea Volcano?'** In this USGS Evening Public Lecture, Kyle Anderson, USGS research geophysicist, will discuss the first significant summit explosions in nearly a century and provide a better understanding of the volcanic system. Aug. 30, 7 p.m. Free. U.S. Geological Survey, 345 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. [online.wr.usgs.gov/calendar](http://online.wr.usgs.gov/calendar)

### Museums & Exhibits

**Alphabete: The World Through the Eyes of Frederic Bruly Bouabre** The Cantor Arts Center will display Frederic Bruly Bouabre's artwork. The exhibit will show Bouabre's original pictographic alphabet and brightly colored postcard-size illustrations. Through Feb. 25, times vary. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. [museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions](http://museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions)

**'The Dancing Soweil': Performing Beauty in Sierra Leone** This exhibition focuses on one spectacular work in the Cantor's collection — a soweil mask, used by the women-only Sande Society that is unique to Sierra Leone. Ongoing until December; Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays-Sundays 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Thursdays 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. [museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions](http://museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions)

**Do Ho Suh: 'The Spaces in Between'** In this exhibition, artist Do Ho Suh uses a chandelier, wallpaper and a decorative screen to focus attention on issues of migration and transnational identity. Through Feb. 25, times vary. Free. Cantor Arts Center, 328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. [museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions](http://museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions)

**'Painting Nature in the American Gilded Age'** The Cantor Arts Center's newest exhibition will consider how nature was depicted by American artists from the 1880s to 1910, an era of unprecedented industrialization and urban development. Through landscapes, portraits and still lifes, the exhibition will delve into the importance of nature for artists and the public. Sept. 5 through Aug. 25, 2019, times vary. Free. Cantor Arts Center,

328 Lomita Drive at Museum Way, Stanford. [museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions](http://museum.stanford.edu/exhibitions)

**Portola Art Gallery Presents 'A Traveler's Impressions' - A Collection of Oil Paintings by Oksana Johnson** The Portola Art Gallery will present "A Traveler's Impressions," a collection of oil paintings by contemporary San Francisco-based artist Oksana Johnson. The exhibit focuses on Johnson's impressions from her travels in Europe, Hawaii and California. Sept. 1-29, Mondays-Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Portola Art Gallery, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park.

**Anderson Collection Public Tour** The collection hosts docent-led public tours five times a week. Ongoing until December 30; Wednesdays 12:30 p.m., Saturdays 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. and Sundays 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Free. Anderson Collection, 314 Lomita Drive, Stanford. Search [events.stanford.edu](http://events.stanford.edu) for more info.

**Portola Art Gallery Presents Jerry Peters' 'On the Road in Nova Scotia'** The Portola Art Gallery will present "On the Road in Nova Scotia," paintings by Palo Alto artist Jerry Peters. The primary paintings in the show are inspired by photos taken on a three-month road trip around the U.S. and Canada in 2005. Through Aug. 31, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Portola Art Gallery, 75 Arbor Road, Menlo Park. [portolaartgallery.com](http://portolaartgallery.com)

### Business

**Employment Development Department (EDD) Labor Market Information** Educational nonprofit JobTrain will be hosting a workshop about the basics of how to effectively use Labor Market Information (LMI) as a tool to make informed, accurate decisions and how to get a job. Aug. 30, 2-4 p.m. Free. JobTrain, 1200 O'Brien Drive, Menlo Park. Search [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com) for more info.

### Religion & Spirituality

**'Living a Rich Life: Finding Meaning and Purpose'** The program, titled "Living a Rich Life: Finding Meaning and Purpose," will feature a filmed interview with Christine Garde, a woman who left an influential political position to launch a gang diversion program by moving into an urban gang-infested neighborhood. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss times they have felt fulfillment in their own lives. Sept. 5, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Free. Bethany Church, 1095 Cloud Ave., West Menlo Park. [vimeo.com/282368783](http://vimeo.com/282368783)

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# Viewpoint

IDEAS, THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS ABOUT LOCAL ISSUES

## Election 2018: It's off to the races

By Renee Batti

Almanac Editor

Last week, the newsroom hosted the first Almanac-only subscriber event — part of a newly launched series of discussions called “Inside Local Journalism.” The series, which aims to engage our readers and editorial staff in thoughtful conversation, is sponsored by our parent company, Embarcadero Media, which in addition to The Almanac also owns the Palo Alto Weekly and the Mountain View Voice. (An earlier Inside Local Journalism event held in June, to which subscribers to all three papers were invited, focused on the 2015 computer hacking that took down AlmanacNews.com and Embarcadero's three other websites.)

The topic of conversation at the Aug. 22 event, held at the Menlo Park Library, couldn't have been more timely, or more important to Almanac editors and reporters looking ahead to the Nov. 6 election: How can we provide Almanac readers meaningful coverage of the candidates and the issues voters will be considering as they cast their ballots?

Readers offered a range of helpful suggestions, but one theme was stated or implied throughout the evening: We must insist on civility in our public discourse. That plea applies in particular to Almanac editors' monitoring of our online forum, Town Square, which during election season can be a magnet for anonymous postings by people whose goal is to spread rumors, smear candidates and avoid discussing the issues. This is a complaint (and ongoing situation) that we take very seriously, and we've put some tools into place to try to maintain the forum as a place for civil conversation.

The Menlo Park council race is unique this year because it's the first election cycle in which candidates will be elected by district. While the new system,

which allows only residents of an individual district to vote in that district's contest, should be beneficial in several ways, it raises concerns among some residents that council members might make decisions based primarily on the interests of the neighborhoods they represent at the expense of the general good. Readers participating in the discussion said they want candidates to state how they will balance their district's interest with that of the entire community's.

Other issues raised that pertain to the Menlo Park race included equity in the city — in particular, how serious needs of the neighborhoods east of the Bayshore Freeway will be addressed — the city's grade-separation plans for the Caltrain rail, and solutions to the transportation and housing crises facing not only Menlo Park but the region as a whole.

Readers indicated they want candidates to state clearly what fundamental values will guide their decision-making, and what sets them apart from their competitors for the seats they seek — critical information not only for the eight Menlo Park council candidates but for those in races for seats on the Menlo Park Fire Protection District board (four candidates for three open seats) and on the Woodside Town Council (two candidates for one open district seat).

We're grateful for the ideas of those who participated in last week's discussion, and hope others will join in the conversation. If you'd like to offer suggestions on The Almanac's election coverage, or are inclined to state your views on issues facing the communities that candidates are vying to represent, your letters to editor@AlmanacNews.com are always welcome. If you'd like the letter to be published in our Viewpoint section, please indicate that in the email subject line, or include that information in written letters sent to the address below. ■



EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

## Concerned about protest blackout? It's time to get in the game

By Henry Organ

The 2018 National Football League (NFL) season has begun. Of renewed interest is not the half-time shows, but a pregame event: players who kneel or do not during the playing of the national anthem.

And now of greater interest is, some television channels are opting not to show the field or play during the anthem, as they have in the past.

Some players choose to kneel or raise a fist during that time to seek a wider viewing audience for their concerns about racial and social injustices in this country; conversely, NFL owners want the players to stand at attention during the anthem.

Indeed, under the rubric of “freedom of the press,” media can show what they want, but in so doing in this instance, is there not demonstrated a media preference in this controversy? Does

the television station not covering the national anthem favor the NFL position? It appears so. Is this “blackout” not a suppression of players' freedom of speech? In fairness, would not the televising of the anthem be fair and balanced — and above all, patriotic?

To paraphrase and apply a once-popular question: “What do media have to lose?” The answer: corporate social responsibility, and erosion of their cherished freedom of the press.

The media should not be blitzed by the president of the United States, who, ironically, bashes the media daily.

Unfortunately, being benched are major issues of racial and social injustice that must be addressed.

Readers, especially 49er and Raider fans, are urged to get in the game, inform themselves of the players' concerns, and support their effort.



Retired Stanford Development Officer Henry Organ has lived in Menlo Park for more than 40 years. He was a member of the San Mateo County 2010 Charter Committee.

GUEST OPINION

## LETTERS

Our readers write

### City needs better approach to library discussion

Editor:

When the library-related City Council meeting is rescheduled (it had been scheduled for Aug. 21, but was canceled), I would like to see a different approach.

The canceled meeting's agenda combined five separate issues into one agenda topic, which limits public input. Instead, each item should have its own agenda topic.

I would also like to see agenda topics added to address the following questions:

1) Why do we need a new Main Library? (A new one might be a “nice to have,” but why is it a “need to have?”)

2) Why should a new Main Library be Menlo Park's highest spending priority? (With housing on top, and a new branch library added, the bond measure could be \$100 million or more.)

3) How does a new Main Library fit into current Capital Improvement Project priorities? (We want to evaluate these projects as a group and in relation to each other.)

4) The currently approved CIP projects do not include enough financial information, available to the public, to allow us to evaluate our overall CIP obligations. What are those

financial obligations? (We also need the obligations of the CIPs on the “futures” list.)

The Main Library project has raised serious concerns as to how we make decisions in Menlo Park. After researching the topic, I've become convinced that the city would benefit from a community-based strategic planning process. Among other benefits, a strategic plan would reduce the influence of special interests in our decision-making process.

So that we can have a healthy discussion on the topic, I hope that others will join me in reading “Elevating Trust in Local Government: The Power of Community Based Strategic Planning” by Rick Davis and Dan Griffiths.

Lynne Bramlett

Mills Court, Menlo Park

### A tunnel to Stanford?

Editor:

I am thrilled that Menlo Park has made a formal request to Stanford suggesting the need for a tunnel from I-280 to Campus Drive.

For years, whenever I've been on I-280 between Page Mill Road or Sand Hill Road, I've been sizing up the best dip in the hills and digging that tunnel mentally — ever since I saw the manned entry gate at an exit limited to the NASA organization on the Baltimore/Washington Parkway.

Surely Stanford has great

engineers who can pull this off. It would make such a difference, not only to limit campus traffic but to speed emergency vehicles to the medical center.

Anne Hillman

Alamos Road, Portola Valley

### Refuge needs protection

Editor:

This is regarding the area on the west side of the Dumbarton Bridge, across from Facebook. This is a Habitat Restoration Area owned by the state of California, and it is a refuge for the birds and amphibians of the marshland. Access is prohibited to the public.

How can we go about protecting this delicate habitat? The homeless have set up a rather elaborate encampment right in the center of the “refuge,” and filling it with loads of ugly trash. They made paths leading up to their tents, and they trample the delicate ecological habitat every time they use it. The fence that is supposed to keep people out has been bent down so people can enter.

I know all this because I do Adopt-a-Highway cleanup there, so I cleaned up as much as I could, leading up to the fence. I'm livid that this “refuge” is not doing its job in protecting the wildlife.

Who do we call to take action? The number on the sign is no longer in use.

Christine Ricks

Avy Avenue, Menlo Park

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## Business Services

### 601 Accounting/ Bookkeeping

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bkpg incl payroll, bill paying, tax prep. Leave contact name and telephone at 650-968-5680 or email to [kara@jps.net](mailto:kara@jps.net).

### 624 Financial

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# Public Notices

## 995 Fictitious Name Statement

SPIRIT OF BJJ  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 278444

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Spirit of BJJ, Located at 615 Bay Road, San Mateo County. Registered owner(s):

RYUICHI MIYAHARA  
615 Bay Road  
Menlo Park, CA 94025

This business is conducted by: An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on July 31, 2018. (ALM Aug 8, 15, 22, 29, 2018)

WALTER AUSSERER CONSULTING  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 278476

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

Walter Ausserer Consulting, located at 421 8th Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.

Registered owner(s):  
WALTER AUSSERER  
421 8th Ave.

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 May 11, 2012. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on August 3, 2018. (ALM Aug. 15, 22, 29; Sept. 5, 2018)

STAR POOLS SERVICE  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 278511

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

Star Pools Service, located at Kavanaugh Dr., E. Palo Alto, CA 94303, San Mateo County.

Registered owner(s):  
MARVIN A. CERRATO HERNANDEZ  
1490 Kavanaugh Dr.  
E. Palo Alto, CA 94303  
This business is conducted by: An Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on August 7, 2018. (ALM Aug. 15, 22, 29; Sept. 5, 2018)

T&T ENTERPRISES  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 278401

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: T&T Enterprises, located at 2 Buffalo CT, Pacifica, CA 94044, San Mateo County. Registered owner(s):

ANGELA M. GIBBS  
2 Buffalo CT  
Pacifica CA, 94044  
CHRISTOPHER D. GIBBS  
2 Buffalo CT  
Pacifica CA, 94044

This business is conducted by: Married Couple.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 7-25-18. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on July 25, 2018. (ALM Aug 22, 29; Sep 5, 12, 2018)

TRUCKEE RIVER HOUSE  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 278599

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Truckee River House, located at 1131 Westfield Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.

Registered owner(s):  
NOEL P. THOMPSON  
1131 Westfield Drive  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
CHRISTINE P. WEIGEN  
3510 La Mata Way  
Palo Alto, CA 94306  
ROBERTA GATZ THOMPSON  
1131 Westfield Drive  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
ELIZABETH ANN WEIGEN  
521 Bryan Avenue  
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

This business is conducted by: A General Partnership. The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above. This statement was filed with the

County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on Aug 15, 2018. (ALM Aug 22, 29; Sept 5, 12, 2018)

PLAYA AZUL  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 278631

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

Playa Azul, located at 46 Willow St., Apt. #20, Redwood City, CA 94063, San Mateo County.  
Registered owner(s):  
MARIA DE LOURDES LARA CALDERON  
46 Willow St., Apt. #20  
Redwood City, CA 94063

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, 2018. (ALM Aug. 29; Sept. 5, 12, 19, 2018)

WEST MENLO TUTORING  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 278635

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

West Menlo Tutoring, located at 2050 Camino a los Cerros, Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.

Registered owner(s):  
REBECCA PATTON GARCIA  
2050 Camino a los Cerros  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
HEATHER HALLENBECK TITTERTON  
2169 Cedar Avenue  
Menlo Park, CA 94025  
This business is conducted by: A General Partnership.

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 20, 2018. (ALM Aug. 29; Sept. 5, 12, 19, 2018)

MARISCOS DE SINALOA  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File No.: 278647

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:  
Mariscos de Sinaloa, located at 412 Studio Cir. #1, San Mateo CA 94401, San Mateo County.

Registered owner(s):  
JOSE DOMINGO QUINTERO CASTANEDA  
412 Studio Cir. #1  
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 August 22, 2018.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on August 22, 2018. (ALM Aug. 29; Sept. 5, 12, 19, 2018)

## 997 All Other Legals

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY AT PRIVATE SALE  
No.: 17PRO01158

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

In the Matter of the Estate of ELIZABETH G. PROCTOR, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on or after September 18, 2018, the undersigned San Mateo County Public Administrator, as Administrator of the Estate of Elizabeth G. Proctor, will sell at private sale, to the highest bidder, subject to confirmation by the above-entitled Superior Court, all the right, title and interest of the estate, in and to that certain real property more particularly described as follows:  
DESCRIPTION

For APN/Parcel ID(s): 074-431-110 THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF MENLO PARK, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
PARCEL ONE:  
LOT 11, AS DELINEATED UPON THAT CERTAIN MAP ENTITLED "SHARON OAKS UNIT NO. 3, RESUBDIVISION OF PORTION OF PARCEL "C" OF SHARON HEIGHTS UNIT NO. 14", FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ON AUGUST 23RD, 1973 IN BOOK 82 OF MAPS, AT PAGES 32 AND 33.  
PARCEL TWO:  
TOGETHER WITH THE FOLLOWING APPURTENANT EASEMENTS:

(A) THE NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF PEDESTRIAN INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER LOT 13 (COMMON AREA) TO AND FROM LOT 11 PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT SUCH RIGHT SHALL NOT BE EXERCISED IN A MANNER WHICH WILL INTERFERE WITH THE LANDSCAPED AREA, THE SWIMMING POOL AREA OR VEHICULAR TRAFFIC ON THE PRIVATE ROAD OR THE PARKING BAYS AS DESIGNATED ON THE MAP OR IN SUBSEQUENT RECORDED INSTRUMENTS.  
(B) THE NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE THE PRIVATE ROAD AREA FOR DRIVEWAY PURPOSES AND THE PARKING BAYS FOR OFF STREET PARKING BY OWNERS AND THEIR INVITEES.  
(C) THE RIGHT TO USE, OCCUPY AND ENJOY THE SWIMMING POOL AREA, THE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES THEREON AND THE OTHER LANDSCAPED PORTIONS OF ALL OF THE COMMON AREA.  
(D) THE RIGHT, SUBJECT TO THE PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE THROUGH, IN OR ACROSS THE COMMON AREA, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SEWERS, WIRES, CONDUITS FOR THE TRANSMISSION OF ELECTRICITY FOR LIGHTING, POWER, TELEPHONE, ANTENNAE AND OTHER PURPOSES AND FOR THE NECESSARY ATTACHMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND THE RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT ANY PUBLIC OR QUASI-PUBLIC UTILITY THROUGH, IN OR ACROSS COMMON AREA, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP.  
SAID RIGHT SHALL BE EXERCISED ALONG THE SHORTEST AND MOST CONVENIENT ROUTE BETWEEN LOT 11 AND THE NEAREST PUBLIC UTILITY LINE OR LINES.  
(E) A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT BURDENING LOT 12, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PARTY WALLS ON OR ALONG THE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN SAID LOT 11 AND FOR THE ENCROACHMENTS DUE TO SETTLEMENT OR SHIFTING OR ANY OTHER CAUSE; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT IN NO EVENT SHALL A VALID EASEMENT FOR ENCROACHMENT BE CREATED IN FAVOR OF AN OWNER IF SAID ENCROACHMENT OCCURRED DUE TO THE WILLFUL CONDUCT OF SAID OWNER.  
(F) AN EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OVER LOT 13 FOR ROOF OVERHANG.

JPN 074-043-431-11  
Property commonly known as: 2371 Sharon Oaks Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025  
SUBJECT TO: Current taxes, Assesments, Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, Reservations, Rights, Right-of-Way and Easements of record and in an "AS IS" condition. Please contact: Steven Karp, California Realty Investment Company, 1209 Burlingame Ave., Burlingame, CA 94010, (650) 348-3055 for viewing of the property.  
Bids on said property are hereby invited. A bid will be accepted ONLY if made in writing on forms furnished by the Public Administrator. Completed bid forms may be left with the agent or may be delivered to said Public Administrator personally in said County of San Mateo, at any time after the first publication of this Notice, and before making of the Sale. Bids must be sealed, and will be opened at the Office of the Public Administrator.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE: Cash in lawful money of the United States. The Bid is to be accompanied by cash or certified check, in the amount of at least ten percent (10%) of the amount bid. THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ALL BIDS. The balance of the amount bid is to be paid upon confirmation of sale by the Superior Court. Taxes, rents, operating and maintenance expenses and premiums on insurance acceptable to the Purchaser or Purchasers will be prorated as of the date of recording of conveyance. The examination of title, recording of conveyance and any title insurance policy shall be all the expense of Purchaser or Purchasers. Unless the Administrator has given written permission for extension of the escrow period beyond forty-five (45) days from the date of confirmation of sale by the Superior Court, the Purchaser or Purchasers shall pay ten percent (10%) interest per annum on that portion of the purchase price still due and owing at the time of confirmation; interest will be charged for the period beginning forty-six (46) days from the Court confirmation date to, and including, the date on which escrow closes. If, after confirmation, the sale is not complete for any reason. Bidder agrees to forfeit the deposit to cover the expenses of the sale. Documentary transfer taxes will be split equally between the purchaser(s) and seller.  
The parties to this agreement further covenant and agree that damages

are difficult or impossible to ascertain should buyer fail to perform his/her obligation to purchase the real property after confirmation by the Court. Therefore, the parties agree that seller, the Public Administrator in and for the County of San Mateo, shall be entitled to liquidated damages in the amount of three percent (3%) of the purchase price of the real property in lieu of all other damages as a result of buyer(s)' failure to perform under this agreement pursuant to the terms of Civil Code Section 1675(d).  
SAN MATEO COUNTY PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR  
225 37th Avenue  
San Mateo, California 94403  
SELLER: S/ VICTORIA WRIGHT  
Public Administrator Estate Manager  
DATE: 8/9/18  
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STATE BAR NO. 144282  
BY: BRIAN E. KULICH, DEPUTY  
STATE BAR NO. 223296  
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Attorneys For Public Administrator  
8/22, 8/29, 9/5/18  
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO  
Case No.: 18CIV04030  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
Petitioner: SANGGILL KIM filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
SANGGILL KIM to THOMAS SANGGILL KIM.  
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: September 26, 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:  
THE ALMANAC  
Date: 8/13/2018  
/s/ Robert D. Foiles  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
(ALM Aug. 29; Sept. 5, 12, 19, 2018)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO  
Case No.: 18CIV04073  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
Petitioner: MARY JANE M. CABUNGAL filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
MARY JANE M. CABUNGAL to MJ M. CABUNGAL.  
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NOTICE OF HEARING: September 28, 2018, 9:00a.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: THE ALMANAC.  
Date: 8/13/18.  
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JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (SECS. 6104, 6105 U.C.C. & B & P 24073 et seq.)  
ESCROW NO: 24055-PD  
DATE: August 22, 2018  
Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named seller that a sale that may constitute a bulk sale has been or will be made.  
The individuals, partnership, or corporate names and the business addresses of the seller are: Shiro Kubota and Toyoko Kubota 1438 El Camino Real, Menlo Park, CA 94025  
The individuals, partnership, or corporate names and the business addresses of the buyer are: Yuji Shabana 1438 El Camino Real, Menlo Park, CA 94025

As listed by the seller, all other business names and addresses used by the seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the buyer are: NONE KNOWN. The assets sold or to be sold are described in general as: ALL FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADENAME, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, ABC LICENSE & ALL OTHER ASSETS OF THE BUSINESS KNOWN AS: Gombei Restaurant AND ARE LOCATED AT: 1438 El Camino Real, Menlo Park, CA 94025. The place, and date on or after which, the Bulk Sale is to be consummated: Business & Escrow Service Center, Inc. 3031 Tisch Way, Suite 310 San Jose, CA 95128 on or before 9/17/2018. The last date to file claims is 9/14/2018, unless there is a liquor license transferring in which case claims may be filed until the date the license transfers.  
BUYER'S SIGNATURE: Yuji Shabana 8/29/18  
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