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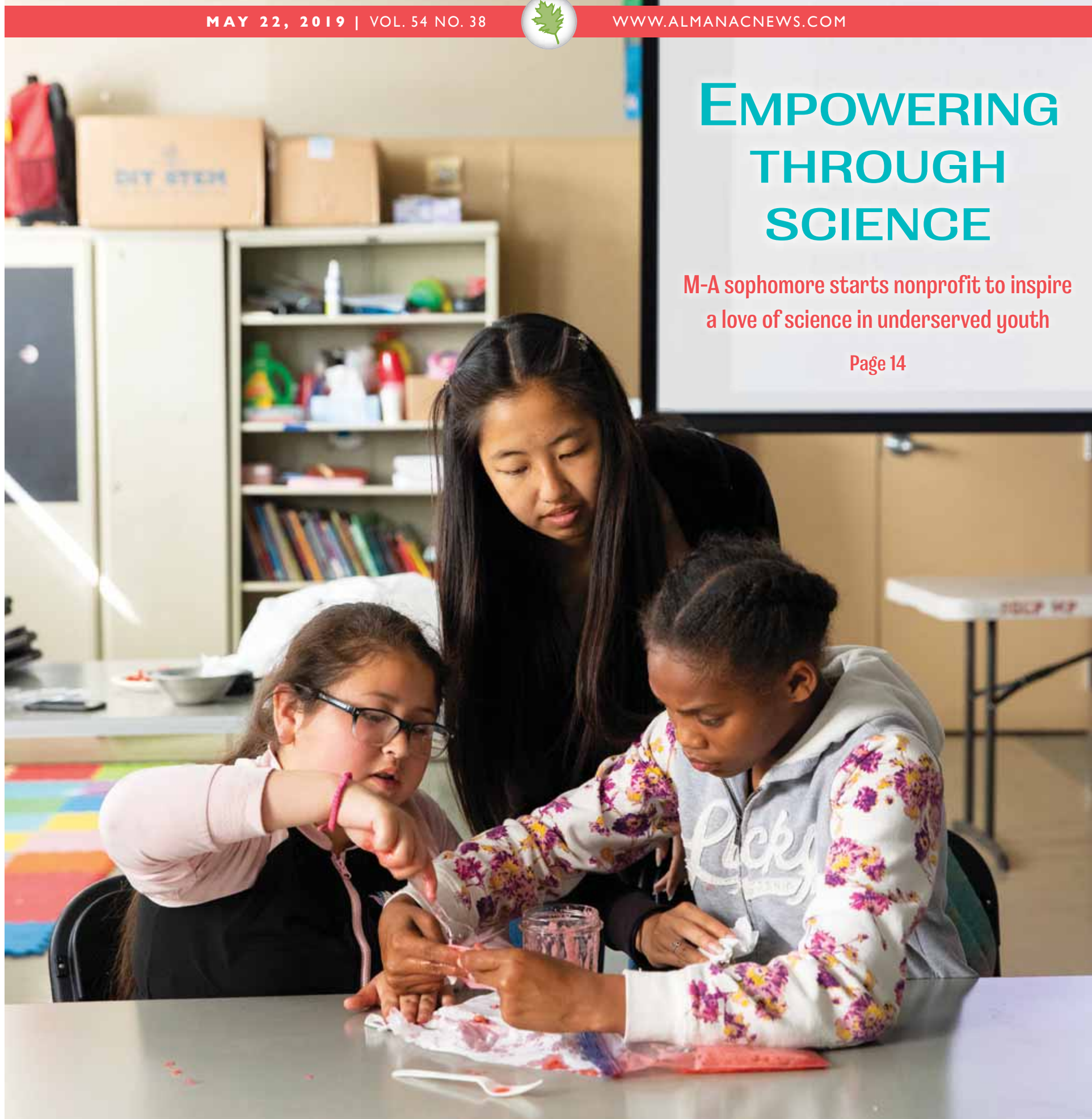


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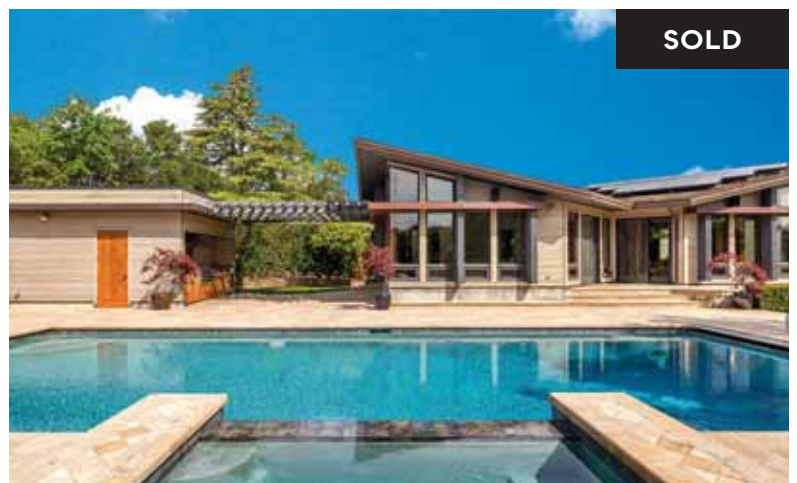
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City unveils conceptual plans for bike/ped crossing

Three options put forward for a tunnel beneath Caltrain tracks at Middle Avenue

By Kate Bradshaw
Almanac Staff Writer

Menlo Park transportation engineers and consultants unveiled three conceptual designs for a bike and pedestrian crossing beneath the Caltrain tracks at Middle Avenue on May 13.

Concept 1 would take up the smallest amount of land, so was established as the preferred option of the city staff. It would have a curved out-and-back ramp and a staircase, leading down about 12 feet into a tunnel with a height of about 10 feet.

Early estimates indicate it could cost between \$20 million and \$25 million, but with significant cost-minimization efforts, the cost could be lowered to \$14 million to \$18 million. It could be built using a method that limits impacts to the Caltrain line to a four-day weekend. The cost estimates cover construction, moving utilities, acquiring the needed right-of-way, design services, a construction manager, and additional expenses for the project in 2022.

Concept 2 is the most expensive option, at an estimated \$35 million to \$40 million. With this option, the tunnel would be

lowered to a deeper level, but the construction could be done using a method that wouldn't disrupt Caltrain operations. The ramps and stairs would have to be significantly steeper to accommodate the deeper tunnel, however.

Concept 3 is similar to Concept 1, with a similar cost estimate — \$20 million to \$25 million — but would move the tunnel about 200 feet north of the Concept 1 location, which would minimize the impacts on the rail's crossing track. But it would require other utilities to be relocated and cause more right-of-way impacts, so cost-savings options would be more limited.

Each concept design also has options to make the ramps more curved or straight, and to make turns right angles or switchbacks.

Cost savings are relevant for this project because in the city's negotiations with Stanford, the university committed to provide \$5 million or half the cost of the tunnel — back when the project was estimated to cost around \$10 million.

Where the rest of the funding for constructing the tunnel would come from is a question still under discussion. According



Image courtesy AECOM/city of Menlo Park

to Senior Transportation Engineer Angela Obeso, the project is currently funded by a grant from the San Mateo County Transportation Authority, which is expected to carry the project through its environmental analysis phase and plans that are 30% complete. If the tunneling portion of the project gets lined up in time for Caltrain's current electrification process, the city could also save some money, Obeso explained.

According to Assistant Public Works Director Nikki Nagaya, other funding sources include county sales tax revenue from Measures A and W, as well as private funding. The city has also asked for funds from Stanford as part of its negotiations with the university in its general use permit application process. "We have limited resources. We want to make sure we're investing them smartly," Nagaya said.

Community members in attendance at the May 13 meeting expressed preference for separate

ramps for cyclists and pedestrians as well as facilities to accommodate wider e-bikes and cargo bikes. Some objected to curved ramps, bollards and tight hairpin turns.

When asked how the project would be affected by whatever the city decides to do about grade separations at the city's vehicular crossings with Caltrain, Obeso noted that it's something staff and consultants have been

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Lindner steps up to top job in Woodside fire district

By Rick Radin
Almanac staff writer

Rob Lindner, who was among the first paramedics hired by the Woodside Fire Protection District, officially took over as the district's fire chief on April 25.

As a trained paramedic, he was in a prime position when the first paramedics were assigned to fire trucks in 1994, shortly before he joined the district.

Outgoing Chief Dan Ghiorso said Lindner took a leadership role by learning how to do electrocardiogram tests to diagnose heart attacks in the field, and brought that knowledge back to teach other district firefighters.

"He learned how to do EKG in the field on his own," Ghiorso said. "That was a big undertaking that we asked him to do, and

he did it very well."

Today, almost all of the district's firefighters have received paramedic training following in the footsteps of the original group of paramedics who were hired from outside.

Lindner has prepped for the top job through a steady rise through the ranks in the district from fire captain to battalion chief to deputy fire chief.

His major concern going forward is protecting Woodside and Portola Valley from wildfires, he said.

The district, which provides services for Woodside, Portola Valley and nearby areas, will be working with both towns to keep vegetation under control, encouraging "home hardening," which consists of making roofs, walls and other parts of the home more fire resistant, and

preparing for the need to evacuate the area, he said.

Lindner also wants to maintain the district's strong ties with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Cooperation with Cal Fire is essential since both towns border on state lands, and the district has created what's known as a mutual threat zone with the state agency that calls for cooperation when a fire starts in either space.

"The district has a coverage area of 32 square miles with local land and state land combined, so there's a lot of area to cover," Lindner said.

The new chief has plenty of firefighting experience, highlighted by a leadership role in fighting the Skeggs Fire that burned about 50 acres in the hills

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Fire Chief Rob Lindner names protecting towns from wildfires as a top priority.



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WOODSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TO HOST MULTI AGENCY WILDLAND FIRE DRILL IN PORTOLA VALLEY MAY 22nd 2019

(Portola Valley, CA) – Fire Departments from various San Mateo County agencies will be converging in Portola Valley on Wednesday, May 22nd to conduct a day long wildland firefighting and evacuation drill.

The Woodside Fire Protection District (WFPD) hosted the same type of drill last year and crews from outside agencies gained valuable hands on training. This year PV Ranch, the Family Farm on Portola Rd. and the Targ's Farm Field off Hayfields Rd. are the sites selected for crews to hone their wildland firefighting skills.

"This drill provides ideal training and familiarization for firefighters from different cities who are not accustomed to our problematic narrow streets, hillside neighborhoods and abundance of fire-prone vegetation," said Battalion Chief Kevin Butler.

Fire crews will simulate an aggressive wildfire in Portola Valley. They will stage in the morning at Ford Field and proceed to the various locations in Portola Valley. A SMC ALERT will be utilized to notify Portola Valley residents on the day of the drill. This year an evacuation component will be added and WFPD will oversee the evacuation of the PV Ranch community in the later part of the morning. Residents of Portola Valley should anticipate an abundance of fire engines in the area of Alpine Rd., Indian Crossing and Portola Rd.

WFPD prides itself in being proactive with its training, prevention and emergency preparedness. "Wildfire is a constant and looming threat in California with larger and more intense fires erupting closer to San Mateo County each year. "Late spring rains have assisted the growth of annual grasses in our area which can increase the rate of spread and the overall risk to our community. Fire Season is now determined to be all year instead of the traditional summer months" warns Fire Marshal, Denise Enea. "The Woodside Fire Protection District is primed for a wildland fire with its steep, brush filled hillsides with many homes constructed of combustible wood siding; wood decking and aging wood shake roofs."

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Bill may enable conversion of single-family homes to multi-family housing

By Rick Radin
Almanac Staff Writer

■ WOODSIDE

One of Woodside's long-term goals has been to protect the "rural character" of the community, but a new provision of the proposed SB 50, the attention-getting housing bill in the California Legislature, could work to create more housing density than currently exists.

Most provisions in the bill would not apply to Woodside, according to a staff report on the issue presented to the Town Council on May 14.

However, a provision to the bill added April 24 that would allow single-family homes to be converted to as many as four units in town, the report said.

Town Manager Kevin Bryant agreed with that assessment, although he wasn't sure how many homes would qualify.

The bill's new provision could open the door to accessory dwelling units, duplexes, and four-plexes in the affected areas, according to the report.

Conversions from single-family use to multi-family houses could occur on vacant land or by converting an existing structure, so long as the work necessary to

accomplish the conversion did not result in demolition of 25 percent or more of the structure's exterior vertical walls or increase total interior square footage by more than 15 percent.

The project would also have to meet zoning and design review standards related to height, setback, floor-area ratios, and lot coverage.

Properties eligible for conversion from single- to multi-family would be entitled to a streamlined approval process and would be exempt from conditional use permit requirements.

The streamlined process would require the town to notify the developer within 60 or 90 days, depending on the size of the project if it determines the project does not meet the requirements for conversion to multi-family housing. If no notice is given, the project would be in compliance.

One limitation on a property owner's ability to convert involves San Mateo County's requirement that a lot be large enough to house an appropriate-sized septic system.

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above Woodside over five days in 2017.

He also worked the Santana Row fire that burned a shopping center while it was under construction in San Jose in 2002. There, he and his crew were responsible for tending to a fire in a nearby apartment complex.

"Embers flew from the main fire and started a couple of other structure fires," he said. "There were a lot of scared people."

The district joined San Mateo County's EMS Joint Powers Authority, which oversees ambulance service in the county, when it was first organized in 1998; it maintains its own ambulance, provided by American Medical Response (AMR), the county's ambulance contractor. The district operates the ambulance with its own personnel.

AMR places the ambulances it operates at different positions throughout the county so they can respond anywhere, but since Woodside and Portola Valley are on the rural outskirts, the district places a priority on having its own ambulance it can count on for a fast response.

A big issue coming up at the end of the year: the district's negotiations with its firefighters' union over a new labor contract.

"There's nothing pressing that should lead to either one of us thinking that it's going to be difficult," he said.

In addition, Lindner will be chief as the district plans to build a new Station 7 on Woodside Road in Woodside and remodel Station 8 in Portola Valley. The district plans to begin a fundraising campaign through its non-profit foundation to complete the work.

The new Station 7 will be larger, with increased space for the fire trucks and equipment and for the firefighters. In Portola Valley, the district is increasing the interior space so that the fire engines can get out in case of an earthquake.

Lindner is married with three children and lives in Tracy, he says, to take advantage of the lower cost of living; he commutes to Woodside four days a week.

"You need good people who are ethical and honest and have great integrity," Ghiorso said. "It made my departure so much easier knowing that he was coming in." ■

Menlo fire board takes action on contentious issues

By Rick Radin
Almanac Staff Writer

The Menlo Park Fire Protection District board moved forward with a plan for an emergency notification system and agreed to ratify a Joint Powers Authority agreement May 14, but there was disagreement behind both those decisions.

The notification system would place devices on fire district property and perhaps other locations that would broadcast messages for 850 meters, about half a mile, in all directions to alert residents about earthquakes, fires and floods.

A mobile notification device is housed in a trailer that has been tested at various locations.

It responds well when there is a clear broadcast range, but the sound gets muffled when the device is behind trees or other obstructions, according to Division Chief Jim Stevens.

The district would like to install eight units as a first step, but that number will cover only a portion of the district's area.

The district was quoted a price of \$818,000 for mounting of the systems at all fire stations and full integration with the United States Geological Survey Shake Alert System.

"The best idea is to find the best locations," said board President Virginia Chang Kiraly. "We now have eight locations that are within the fire district's authority, so we can put them there."

Board Member Chuck Bernstein was especially adamant that the system be implemented as quickly as possible, saying that early warning is vital to the safety of the community.

"We have to put these things where everyone in the district will be alerted," he said. "We need twice or three times as many to alert people properly."

Member Rob Silano was not convinced, arguing that such a system has limited value if it's not used in coordination with law enforcement agencies.

A motion to allow Fire Chief Harold Schapelhouman to move forward with developing the system passed 3-2 with member Jim McLaughlin joining Silano in voting no.

mutual aid agreements with neighboring Palo Alto and other communities, and requires the district to provide more services to other San Mateo County agencies than it gets in return, among other concerns.

"The whole deal is absurd," he said. "I can't believe we're even considering signing it."

Silano said that the system established by the JPA would collapse if individual members left.

"We're part of the whole system and like a house of cards, if you pull out the support, the whole thing collapses," he said. "It's the best deal we can get right now."

The board approved continuing in the JPA by a 4-1 vote, with Bernstein opposed.

firefighters being out on workers compensation because of injuries and from deployments to fight fires in other areas of the state, as well as pending retirements.

"It's an overstaffing model versus an actual model," Schapelhouman said. "If you have an actual model, the overtime is going to go up."

The board also discussed the importance of receiving impact fees to compensate for new development, with Facebook's planned new campus as the lead example.

"We shouldn't be waiting until the end on these projects (to negotiate for fees)," Bernstein said.

Schapelhouman said that it is hard to nail down how much Facebook is going to spend on projects until they evolve beyond a certain point, since the company is always changing its plans.

Sometimes cities can exclude fire districts from the fee-negotiating process, Chang Kiraly said.

"Menlo Park could have been a better partner," she said. "Everyone could improve on building stronger partnerships." ▀

Library events focus on mental health awareness

The Menlo Park Library has been hosting a series of activities this month focusing on mental health and improving awareness about it in the community. The series is led in partnership with San Mateo County Health.

The effort this year is focused on the theme "Words of Wellness," and is part of a statewide effort to promote mental health awareness in the familiar community spaces of public libraries, according to library event coordinator John Weaver. Two upcoming events are:

■ On Friday, May 24: Mental Health Open Mic, from 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. at Cafe Zoe, at 1929 Menalto Ave. in Menlo Park. The event will be led by San Mateo County Poet Laureate Aileen Cassinotto.

■ On Wednesday, May 29: Film screening and discussion of the documentary film, "The S Word," which follows a suicide attempt survivor seeking other survivors and their stories. The screening will be followed by a discussion with

Melissa Kelley, a therapist who works with teens and families and has been a school counselor at Palo Alto High School, Alta Vista High School and Kehillah Jewish High School. She has also worked as a research manager at the Stanford Center for the Study of Families, Children and Youth. The event will be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m. in the downstairs program room at the main library at 800 Alma St.

— By Kate Bradshaw

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thinking about a lot: She's project manager of both, she said.

Whatever happens, she said, the goal is for the crossing to be compatible with a hybrid or fully elevated grade separation. The city can get this bike and pedestrian crossing built in the next two or three years, while, even in the best-case scenario, a grade separation project will take eight to 10 years to build, she explained. Having bike and

pedestrian access at Middle Avenue will be a big benefit to the community during whatever construction phase lies ahead for the grade separation plans for city roads, she added.

The goal is to bring the project to the Complete Streets Commission on June 12, to the City Council in July to choose a preferred concept, and for construction to be complete around the time Stanford's new buildings are ready for occupancy, likely sometime in 2022, according to Obeso. ▀

Joint Powers Authority

Bernstein continued to advocate for pulling out of the JPA, which covers emergency service agreements between all the fire departments and fire districts in San Mateo County, and governs cooperation in providing services.

Bernstein argued that the JPA arbitrarily limits what lifesaving devices the district can carry on its trucks, inhibits establishing

More chiefs

In reference to a proposal to add three more battalion chiefs, Bernstein questioned the need to hire more personnel, saying that the district is already top-heavy with bureaucracy.

Schapelhouman said the district should be a little overstaffed, calling attention to the need to avoid paying extra to put workers on overtime.

He cited the frequency of

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Ravenswood redwoods to face ax after council's final ruling

Property owner required to plant 76 new trees citywide

By **Kate Bradshaw**
Almanac Staff Writer

Following a months-long appeal process led by a group of residents seeking to preserve seven redwood trees at the corner of El Camino Real at Ravenswood Avenue, the Menlo Park City Council voted 4-0, with Councilwoman Catherine Carlton absent, to deny the residents' appeal and permit the property owner, Matt Matteson, to cut down the trees.

In exchange for the tree removal permit, though, Matteson agreed to plant 76 new trees throughout the city, the same number of trees his family planted on the site when the office building was constructed.

He agreed to plant 14 to replace the 7 that are slated to be felled, and to work with Canopy, a local nonprofit that plants trees, to plant a dozen new trees at the Burgess Park campus and 50 new trees in the Belle Haven neighborhood, at an estimated cost of \$1,000 per tree.

Matteson also agreed to work with the community to find a meaningful purpose for the wood from the felled redwoods, whether as art or low-income housing.

The proposal to remove the trees was first approved last October by the Menlo Park Planning Commission.

According to Matteson, the

trees are preventing critical repairs to the parking structure and the office building's foundation at 1000 El Camino Real. At least three of the steel tendons holding the parking structure up have failed, he said, and others may have failed. The structure is now out of compliance with safety codes, and work to fix the structure is both "urgent and non-discretionary," he said.

After notices went up on the trees last fall, community members raised concerns about the planned removal and the matter was appealed to the Environmental Quality Commission.

The Commission denied the appeal on a 4-3 vote, finding that there were no "feasible" or "reasonable" alternatives to preserve the trees.

City staff explored eight possibilities to preserve the trees, but found that none would resolve the water damage to the structure, ensure the trees' stability and comply with building code laws, Menlo Park Sustainability Manager Rebecca Lucky said.

A life safety problem

"I love these trees," Matteson told the council. "I'm disappointed to have to remove any."

In the 1980s, the city worked with the Matteson family to permit the development of surplus city land to install the office building that's there now, he said.

The city provided a ground lease on the condition that the property have underground parking, extensive landscaping and a high-quality building.

At the time, his family planted 76 trees on the site. Redwoods were a fast-growing way to provide beautiful visual screening from the office building. Now, Matteson told The Almanac, the trees take an enormous amount of water to support, and their roots are invasive.

Attendees made arguments both for and against the removal of the trees in public comment. Jen Mazzon, who helped organize the supporters of the trees, criticized the city's lack of innovation in attempting to save the trees, and urged the council to focus on maximizing the value to the community of city land rather than try to resolve the problem of the property owner.

Others who favored allowing the trees to be cut down raised arguments about precedent.

Construction manager and resident Joe Nootbaar raised questions about the precedent that would be set should the trees be permitted to remain in place. "Are we going to have people stop planting trees near (buildings) because they're afraid of the ramifications?" he asked.

Mike Mohrman, a resident who works in the construction industry, commented, "You don't



Photo by Adam Pardee

Seven trees on top of a parking structure at 1000 El Camino Real will be cut down to enable the property owner to make critical repairs, following months of public outcry.

want citizens to tell other citizens what trees they can cut down and what they can't based on their own structural engineering."

"While it is important to listen to the voices of the community, there has been significant review," said attendee Jane Williams. "We would ask that you deny the appeal and approve the removal of the trees."

A potential solution

At the appeal hearing, those who favored preserving the trees brought in Bijan Aalami from Palo Alto, a structural engineer who specializes in post-tensioning work with concrete structures. He spoke about the work he's done using new methods, and told the council it could be possible to do the work for under \$1 million. But the idea needed further vetting, and even if it were to work, it would

likely delay the project so that the repairs can't be done this dry season. The proposal could also require the office building to be vacated.

Councilman Drew Combs commented that the appellants appeared to be "asking for incredibly novel solutions that seem not tested."

"I do appreciate this process," he said. "I think it speaks well of our city and the importance of our trees in general."

"It's sort of absurd we have to be choosing between parking and 35-year-old iconic redwood trees," Councilwoman Betsy Nash said. "Unfortunately I think that's where we are."

She made the request that the wood from the trees be repurposed for something meaningful. "It would have been great had we more time to come to a better solution," she added. ■

Construction on Portola Valley schools to start this summer

District to begin \$49.5 million bond measure projects

By **Angela Swartz**
Almanac Staff Writer

The Portola Valley School District will launch construction projects this summer at its two campuses, some of which will be funded by Measure Z, a \$49.5 million bond passed in November 2018 to pay for school repairs and renovations, according to a staff report for the district's school board meeting on Wednesday (May 15).

The facilities master plan shows immediate projects at Corte Madera School, including a new two-story classroom building, costing between \$38.4 and \$42.5 million. At Ormondale School, projects costing \$10.9 to \$12 million are included as first-phase priorities.

The district will start with smaller-scale projects, totaling about \$720,000. A mix of sources — the district's general fund, state funding and Measure Z — will finance the projects, which will begin in mid-June and

continue until school begins in mid-August, said Adam Lint, the district's bond and facilities director.

It will update lighting to LED bulbs and install energy management systems for HVAC units throughout the district for about \$227,000, Lint said. This comes from state funding for energy efficiency projects, according to the presentation.

There are several projects that will be funded by Measure Z:

- Replacement and repair of leaking roofs at Ormondale for \$197,000. The school's multi-use room has a "very serious leaking issue," the staff report states.

- A \$75,528 update to an annex at Corte Madera to include two additional office spaces, a conference room and a secretary's office. The conference room will be used for school board meetings (board meetings are currently taking place in a classroom space at Corte Madera), Lint said. The

renovation will allow for a classroom to be freed up at the school to reduce the amount of building needed to temporarily house construction projects at Corte Madera.

- Gutter cleaning and dry rot repair at Corte Madera for \$48,000

The district also plans field renovations and landscaping this summer for about \$115,000. Construction crews will work around the schedule of the Panthers Camp, a sports camp, at Corte Madera, which takes place at the school's field and gym, Lint said. The camp runs from June 17 to July 5, according to the Panthers Camp website.

The roofing work could roll over into the fall, but the other projects should be completed by the time school starts, Lint said.

Beyond the summer

Long-term projects, aside from the summer construction, include the following, along with

the years of planned construction in parenthesis:

- Exterior painting at both schools (2020)

- Clock bell paging systems at both schools (2020)

- Restroom modernization at both schools (2020)

- Fire alarm upgrades at both schools (2021)

- New classroom buildings and courtyard renovations at Ormondale (2021)

- New classroom buildings and courtyard renovations at Corte Madera (2021)

- Classroom modernization at both schools (2022-23)

- Roofing improvements at both schools (2022)

The budget for each of these projects isn't set right now, but the district wants to complete as much work on the projects as it can to put the bond money to use, Lint said. The district's proposed construction timeline, presented at the Feb. 9 school board meeting, projects that Measure Z school construction will wrap up around August 2022. ■

Creek meeting on May 23

A meeting to discuss proposed changes to the plan to provide flood protection along the San Francisquito Creek, upstream of U.S. 101, will be held on Thursday, May 23, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Laurel School Upper Campus at 275 Elliott Drive in Menlo Park.

People can weigh in on the

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Historian, library commissioner Ester Bugna dies

Lifelong Menlo Park resident was 84

By **Kate Bradshaw**
Almanac Staff Writer

Ester Bugna, 84, a dedicated member of the Menlo Park Historical Association and Library Commission until her last days, died May 6.

Bugna was born to parents Giacobbe and Rosalia at the Palo Alto Hospital in December 1934. Her father moved to Menlo Park around 1927 and worked as a gardener on the Hahn Estate, now known as the Fennwood Estate, in Atherton.

She spent her early years living

in the caretaker's cottage at the former San Francisco Children's Aid Auxiliary, located at the corner of Arbor Road and Middle Avenue in Menlo Park, near Jack W. Lyle Park. She attended kindergarten at Central School and elementary school at Fremont School and St. Joseph's Parochial School.

She continued her schooling at Notre Dame High School, where she became friends with five women whom she also attended college with at the Notre Dame de Namur University. She earned scholarships and worked

as an au pair for several families in Menlo Park to help pay her way through college. She graduated with honors in biological sciences.

Bugna spent most of her career, 35 years, working at the NASA-Ames Research Center. Her niece-in-law recalled that Bugna once told her a story about how she and her friends used to make moonshine at the lab after hours, then take it to the water tower in Sunol to watch the sunrise.



Photo courtesy of her family.

Ester Bugna, at an art gallery in Mendocino, a place she loved.

See **ESTER BUGNA**, page 17

First Portola Valley School District superintendent Tony Rose remembered

By **Kate Daly**
Special to The Almanac

Derek Rose intends to pull up at Portola Valley Town Center on Saturday, May 25, in his father's black '55 T-bird, the one Tony Rose drove to work for many of the 14 years he taught and served as school principal in Portola Valley, and led the Portola Valley School District as its founding superintendent.

Derek will be at Town Center to attend the memorial service for his father, who died at age 99 on March 13 in his Woodside home, surrounded by family. Other plans for Rose's memorial service that day include a formal military flag presentation and the playing of "Taps" to honor his time spent in an Air Force

band during World War II.

The music will be a fitting tribute for a man who loved music, had his own orchestra, Tony Rose and his Buds, and used to teach kids how to play saxophone and clarinet.

The memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. at 765 Portola Road, near where classes used to be held in the prune pickers' shack and the building once known as The Little Red Schoolhouse.

That building is now beige, but according to Rose's widow, Carol Rose, her husband is responsible for the former color. To keep Frank Mendoza, the school's maintenance man and bus driver, busy one summer, Rose told him, "Go and get some red paint."

Rose started working at the

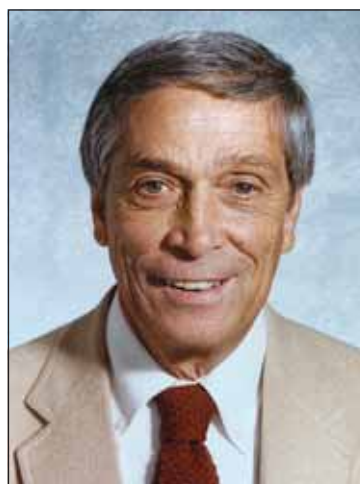


Photo courtesy of Carol Rose

Tony Rose in an undated photo.

school district in 1951. With a master's degree from Stanford and a couple of years' teaching experience, he taught fourth grade in Portola Valley and

made an extra \$1,000 a year driving the school bus. Conveniently for him, the route went up Old La Honda Road, close to where he rented a cottage from the Tracy family before he built his own house across the street in 1954, the same year he became superintendent.

During his tenure the school population swelled from somewhere in the 80s to the hundreds by the time he left his position in 1964, and he oversaw the construction that resulted from so much growth in the area.

He told the story of driving around the open fields of the Westridge area with Mendoza to count water meters on all the undeveloped lots because each meter would help justify the construction of more classrooms.

"He was 100 percent for the students, faculty and the staff, and they were 100 percent behind him," Carol Rose says.

"People liked his personality, the twinkle in his eye ... he would pay attention, he could listen to people for hours and hear what they said."

Born in Canton, Ohio, in 1920, Anthony (Tony) Rose was a descendant of Italians on both sides of his family. His father was a baby at Ellis Island when the family's name was changed from La Russo to Rose. His mother was brought to the U.S. at 19 for an arranged marriage.

Rose's father never learned how to read, whereas his mother taught herself. Rose enjoyed books and learning, graduating

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Contentious state housing bill punted to 2020

SB50 opposed by many cities wanting to preserve local control

By Gennady Sheyner and Kate Bradshaw

State Senate Bill 50, a contentious bill that aimed to encourage more housing near transit and that stirred intense opposition on the Peninsula, suffered a stinging setback May 16, when the chair of the state Senate Appropriations Committee announced that he will not be bringing the bill up for a hearing until at least early 2020.

While the announcement by state Sen. Anthony Portantino, D-La Canada Flintridge, does not kill SB 50, it ensures that the Legislature will not take up the bill this year. Now a “two-year bill,” SB 50 will be eligible for a vote next January.

The decision comes just weeks after SB 50 scored several victories at the committee level, with the Housing Committee and the Finance and Government Committee each voting last month to advance the legislation (in both cases, the bill passed overwhelmingly, with just one dissenting vote).

Authored by state Sen. Scott Wiener, D-San Francisco, the bill has also undergone significant changes in recent weeks. On April 24, Wiener merged his bill with another proposed bill, Senate Bill 4, to create a two-tiered system with different requirements for counties that have fewer than 600,000 residents.

While the changes have helped Wiener pick up political support in Sacramento, the bill continued to face significant opposition at the local level in various pockets of the state. The bill would have loosened parking requirements and height regulations in areas within half a mile of transit hubs, including in single-family neighborhoods.

Under the bill, three- and

four-story buildings would be allowed in these areas. In addition, the bill would loosen density regulations throughout “jobs-rich” cities like Menlo Park and Palo Alto (though height limits would apply outside the transit-friendly areas).

Various mayors and city councils have attacked the legislation as a “one-size-fits-all approach” to tackling the housing crisis and attack on local control. The Palo Alto City Council last month took a position against the bill.

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MENLO PARK MAYOR RAY MUELLER

Palo Alto’s letter of opposition, submitted to its Sacramento representatives, stated, “The proposal to render cities unable to regulate parking, density and height, as examples, strike at the ability of local governments to not only define the nature of their communities, but also fails to acknowledge individual situations where these regulations are necessary to avoid spillover impacts on surrounding neighborhoods.”

Palo Alto Mayor Eric Filseth also dedicated most of his “State of the City” speech in March to criticizing SB 50.

Menlo Park Mayor Ray Mueller has taken a public position against the bill as well. The Menlo Park City Council hasn’t formally discussed or agreed on a policy position on the bill.

In response to the news that legislative action on SB 50 has been delayed until next year, Mueller told The Almanac, “The city of Menlo Park is committed to doing its part to address the housing crisis. We already were working hard to address this issue locally with multiple housing projects in the pipeline. My personal hope is that advocates would move away from attempting to pre-empt local zoning power and weakening local government.”

As an alternative, he said in a statement, “I believe the focus should be shifted to reforming the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) process that allocates housing creation numbers to cities, to adequately meet housing demands, while leaving Cities the flexibility to determine how best to plan for the creation of those units. Legislation should empower cities with infrastructure and education dollars that enable cities to meet their RHNA numbers.”

East Palo Alto officials, by contrast, have been more sanguine about SB 50. At a joint meeting earlier this month with Palo Alto and Menlo Park city councils, several East Palo Alto council members stressed the need to address the state housing shortage and challenged cities that oppose SB 50 to present their own alternatives to the legislation.

“It’s really going to take the political will of California to pause for a second and to relinquish the concept of local control for this housing transportation crisis that we’re in,” East Palo Alto Councilman Larry Moody said at the May 6 meeting.

In a statement, Wiener said that while he is “deeply disappointed” that the bill will be postponed, he and other supporters of SB 50 are “one hundred percent committed to moving the legislation forward.”

The project was analyzed by Sage Renewables, which reported that the cost of PG&E’s bankruptcy may put significant upward pressure on the utility’s rates and would increase the value of electricity produced by solar systems.

There will also be rate changes beginning in January that will decrease the value of energy produced by the solar PV systems.

Sage initially considered putting the solar panels in front of Town Hall, but the town staff directed it to drop the idea due to aesthetic concerns, according to the report. ■

Wiener pointed to California’s housing shortage, which is estimated at 3.5 million homes — equal to the combined housing shortage of the other 49 states. The status quo, he said, isn’t working.

“We need to do things differently when it comes to housing,” Wiener said in a statement. “We’re either serious about solving this crisis or we aren’t. At some point, we will need to make the hard political choices necessary for California to have a bright housing future.”

Impacts on city fees?

At a City Council discussion on Tuesday, May 14, Mueller said that his approach to determining how steep the city’s new Transportation Impact Fee — the amount developers of new projects should have to pay to cover new infrastructure costs — should be depends largely on the outcome of SB 50.

If passed, he argued, the bill

could make it harder for cities to negotiate with developers and pressure them to provide benefits to the community to account for the impacts their projects create.

In other words, he said, if SB 50 passes, the impact fee should be as high as necessary to ensure that developers have to pay for the impacts on infrastructure that their projects would have.

If SB 50 doesn’t pass, he told The Almanac on May 16, “There is no need to push for (transportation impact fees) because we will still have development agreements to account for capital costs, as well as zoning controls, so we can control and plan for infrastructure costs.”

With SB 50 in limbo, he said he plans to continue to monitor the bill and in the meantime, “focus on doing our best for the taxpayer. ... It definitely will be something to consider in the Specific Plan and General Plan reviews,” he added. ■

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HOUSING BILL

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The size of the system would be determined by the number of bedrooms on a property, so that a four-plex might require a larger system than an existing single-family home.

In addition, properties in earthquake hazard zones would be excluded, which could further narrow the number that qualify.

Bryant said the town will be sending a letter to the Legislature supporting local control.

Solar panels

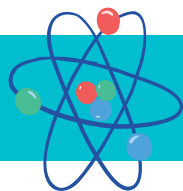
At the same meeting, the council also agreed to continue work on a project to install solar panels on the roof of the library and Town Hall to provide electrical power for those facilities, Bryant said.

“The council would like to look at the library and Town Hall projects separately,” he said. “We’ll be coming back to the council with that as the next step.”

The work would include installing five electrical charging stations, with three at Town Hall and two at the library.



Michelle Gao, a sophomore at Menlo-Atherton High School, watches Jessica pour crushed strawberries in a cheese cloth into a jar held by A'nyrah during a Curieus class at the Boys and Girls Club in Menlo Park earlier this month.



EMPOWERING THROUGH SCIENCE



M-A sophomore starts nonprofit to inspire a love of science in underserved youth

By Angela Swartz  Photos by Magali Gauthier

Sixteen-year-old Rachel Park sat in science class after science class at Menlo-Atherton High School excited to work on experiments, but was perplexed when she looked around the classroom and saw students sitting in the back staring into their cellphones. Why wasn't everyone as fascinated as she was in science class? she wondered. And how could this be changed?

Park, a sophomore at the Atherton high school, started asking science teachers these questions, including M-A science department chair Lance Powell, and heard a resounding theme: Students in underserved, more impoverished

communities lack early exposure to science, which stifles their interest in the subject. Park ascertained that at a diverse school like M-A, where minority enrollment is 61%, and 35% of students are economically disadvantaged, according to U.S. News & World Report, the differences that divide students from Ravenswood School District (where about 56% of students are

English-language learners and 89% qualify for the free/reduced lunch program, according to data from the California Department of Education) in East Palo Alto and students from Atherton and Menlo Park also determine students' interest



A Curieus student crushes strawberries in a plastic bag as part of an experiment.

in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math).

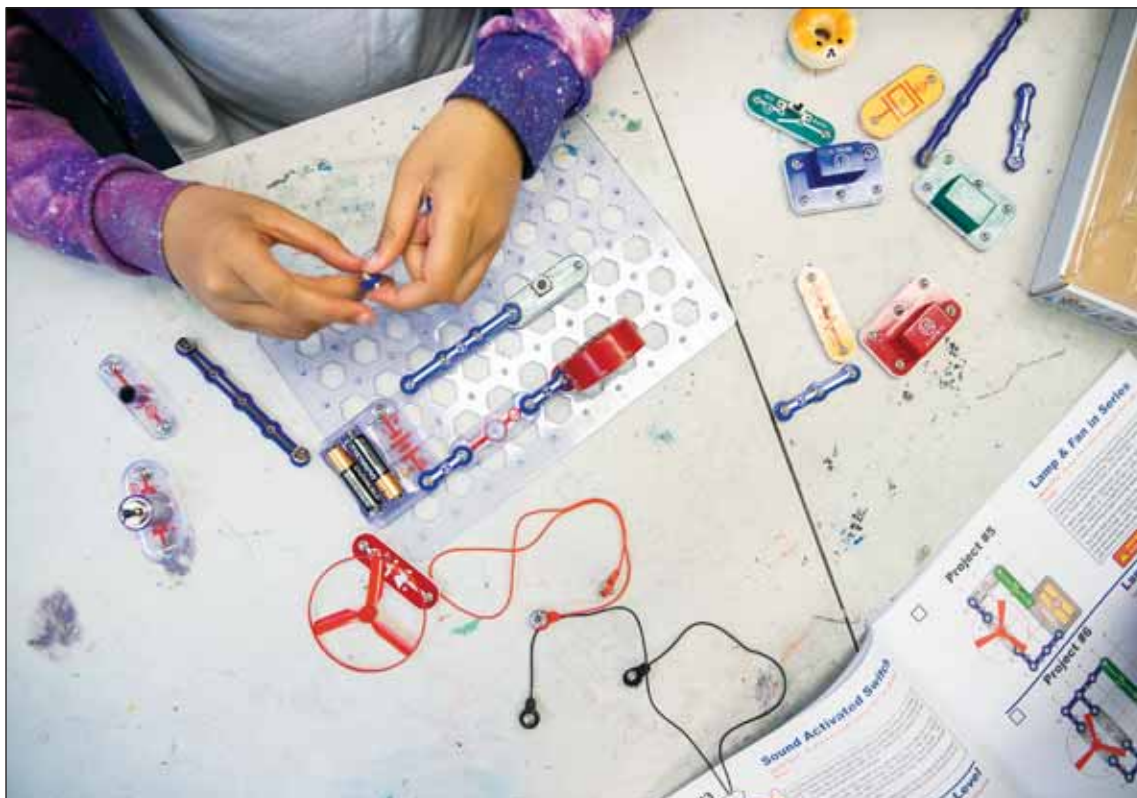
"I believe the opportunity gap probably stems from latent racism and gentrification," she said. "Just over the bridge divides two completely separate Silicon Valleys."

This past fall, Park acted on that concern, starting Curieus, a nonprofit aimed at fostering interest in STEM among underserved elementary school kids in the Bay Area. The group's name pays homage to Marie Curie, the Nobel Prize-winning scientist.

In January, Park and other students at M-A began to host hour-long after-school classes on Wednesdays and Thursdays to fourth- and fifth-grade students at the Boys & Girls Club of the Peninsula in Menlo Park.

In the Silicon Valley, "where students are being forgotten, our goal is to raise their voices," Park said of Curieus' mission. "We know we can't completely solve the problem because the roots run deep, but our goal is to help them (Curieus students) find a passion for their education and, hopefully, for their career later in life."

But this lack of early exposure to science isn't completely limited to schools with students from low-wealth families, said Powell, who teaches advanced placement (AP) environmental science and dynamic ecology at M-A. It is true that Ravenswood students in particular aren't exposed to science much, whereas a student in the Menlo



A student builds a circuit on a board provided by Curieus during a class at the Boys and Girls Club.



Menlo School sophomore Mia Hamilton and M-A sophomore Rachel Park, who founded Curieus, watch Jose connect pieces on a circuit board.

Park City School District might get supplemental science education through programs such as Camp Galileo, he said.

Science can be neglected at many elementary schools — those, for example, where there is pressure to focus on teaching to standardized tests, and where there are no teachers with science degrees, he said, adding that logistic complications required of science classes contribute to the challenges of teaching the subject. Once students get to M-A they may not be interested in science or may be too embarrassed to immerse themselves in academics, in general, if they feel as if they're behind other students, he said.

Curieus forms

Around September 2018, Park began planning and developing what would become Curieus. She sought help from teachers to develop how the program should be structured, the curriculum and the best teaching methods.

She also spoke with Laura Gomez, founder and CEO of Atipica, a Bay Area-based company developing artificial intelligence for more diverse job recruiting, who helped her learn how to effectively run a company.

She contacted Lena Potts, site director of the Boys & Girls Club in the Belle Haven

neighborhood of Menlo Park and found a good group to partner with for educational programs. The club's mission, Park noted, is to empower underserved students.

She had volunteered at Mathnasium, a math learning center, and said it honed her teaching skills.

Curieus lessons are as hands-on as possible and focused on physics, chemistry, biology and engineering, subjects that are essential to thriving in today's workforce, Park said.

The Almanac dropped by the after-school program in mid-March to see Curieus in action. The 15- to 20-student classes are twice a week and are made up of



Castilleja School student Honor Pimentel helps Salvador, a Curieus participant, build a balloon-powered car.

students already enrolled at the Boys & Girls Club. On this day, students made rockets using paper, straws and tape during a physics lesson, and learned that the rockets flew best with fins attached to them.

Lillyana, a fifth-grader at Belle Haven School in Menlo Park, a Ravenswood district school, said she can replicate the projects she's completed in the Curieus classes at home and can show others how to do them.

Park's science background

Park developed a love of science in middle school. The daughter of a dentist and a neurosurgeon, Park said she had wanted to be a New York Times bestselling fiction writer, self-publishing a novel when she was in fifth grade about a 12-year-old finding out about the secret powers of her DNA.



That changed when Park's mother was diagnosed with cancer. She did a "complete 180" and decided to pursue science. She was fascinated that a scientist in a lab could cure her mom's cancer, and realized she wanted to use science to help others.

"I really believe science has the power to help people and solve real-world problems," she said.

Since, Park has immersed herself in STEM studies. In addition to her previous work at Mathnasium, and now Curieus, Park does scientific research at an orthopedics lab in San Francisco.

'Seeing their (students') eyes light up when they see an experiment work and having that 'aha moment' — that made me feel so good.'

RACHEL PARK

Jessica, another Belle Haven fifth-grader, said the class combats her boredom and piques her natural curiosity.

Park said it is humbling to see the community come together around her vision.

"Seeing their (students') eyes light up when they see an experiment work and having that 'aha moment' — that made me feel so good," said Park.

Curieus also hosts workshops with hands-on activities and speakers at local libraries and community centers to cultivate interest in science and technology. The workshops can accommodate up to 20 students and are targeted at students ages 8 to 12. Upcoming workshops include "Future Biologists," a workshop teaching students about living organisms through hands-on experiments extracting DNA from fruit, recreating cellular processes and more.

Expansion

Park plans to expand the program she founded next school year. Curieus volunteers are training students at Menlo, Nueva, Palo Alto High and Castilleja schools so that these new students can establish chapters next fall.

Park has recruited 15 to 20 high school students to volunteer with Curieus. One is M-A sophomore Maya Khodabakhchian, Curieus' director of development, who was a semifinalist in the Breakthrough Junior Challenge for her video explaining brain neuroplasticity.

Curieus is also raising money for classroom materials — basics such as scissors, paper and markers, along with more advanced materials like a 3D printer and microscopes — for its programs

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and starting new chapters of the organization at gofundme.com/curieus. The group is aiming to raise \$10,000 by the beginning of June, Park said. It had raised almost \$6,000 as of May 16. The group also recently became a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, so it can also accept tax-deductible donations at any time, Park said.



In early May, the Menlo Park Rotary Club granted Curieus \$3,000 for a winter break science education program for Ravenswood district students ages 8 to 12, Park said. The grant helps fund facilities, supplies, food and more, she said. Curieus is still searching for a facility for the camp.

Park would eventually like to inspire students from all over the nation and the world to get excited about STEM, she said.

"We're just getting started, but we have a big vision," she said.

For now, Powell has advised Park to not "go too big too fast" to maintain the quality of the program.

Science activities can feel a lot like doing an activity at a birthday party, and that's how adults can get



Olivia McGeever and Jenna Razzak, both Castilleja School sophomores, help Citlaly build a balloon-powered car.

kids hooked on science at a young age, he said. If Park can reach more students with hands-on science projects, then she is "really on to something," Powell said.

For more information on Curieus, go to curieus.org. ▣

On the cover:

M-A sophomore Michelle Gao supervises Curieus students Jessica and A'nyrah while they work to extract DNA from strawberries.

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ESTER BUGNA

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She was married for more than 30 years to Ted Sorenson, a former Menlo Park mayor who died in 2006.

According to her family, she accomplished what was unheard of back in the 1960s and purchased her Menlo Park home as a single woman in her 30s. She celebrated 50 years of home ownership this past Christmas.

She loved gardens, cats, travel (especially road trips and travel of the "armchair variety"), art, theater, calligraphy, haiku, and cooking shows. Mendocino was one of her favorite places, and she embraced the Italian term, "dolce far niente" — "How sweet it is to do nothing."

Information about her life was provided by her family and a bio she wrote for the Historical Association when she joined

TONY ROSE

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with a bachelor's degree from what was then called Mount Union College in Ohio.

He got married and had a son, Michael. The couple divorced after the war and Rose moved to San Jose.

Rose met his second wife when she was 20 and working for school board member Dr. Milton Flocks. Rose was 40 when he came into the office for an eye exam. Romance bloomed, and almost six months after he left his job as superintendent, Tony and Carol got married.

Like Michael, their two children, Derek and Jessica, attended district schools.

Rose's academic career lasted almost 50 years. After his work in Portola Valley he was headmaster of Florence Moore School in Burlingame, and then worked as principal and vice principal at several San Mateo-Foster City School District schools before retiring in 1993 at age 73.

"After 50 years (in education) he never had a day when he wished it would end," his wife says.

Tennis and golf consumed his later years, and when Rose's body slowed down he enjoyed participating in activities at the Rosener House in Menlo Park.

In lieu of flowers Rose's family suggests donations to Rosener House or another charity of choice.

Rose's oldest son, Michael, preceded him in death. In addition to Carol and their two children, Derek and Jessica, Rose is survived by eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren. ■

the group.

In a statement, Menlo Park Mayor Ray Mueller said that Bugna was a "kind, sweet person, whose every interaction was one of sharp intellect and a rich historical passion and love for Menlo Park. She was always open and unselfishly shared the wisdom she had gained as a team with her beloved husband Ted."

"Even into failing health, she was always looking for new opportunities to contribute and help others," he added.

According to Nick Szegda, assistant library services

director, Bugna served as an "integral part" of the Library Commission over the past two years, and served as vice chair of the commission until her recent illness.

"She brought her perspective as a longtime resident, historian, and library user to the commission, championing youth involvement in commission work and supporting the library's recent efforts to towards building a new branch library" he said. "Ester was a wonderful colleague, and her insight and warmth will be missed by all of us here at the library." ■

Henry Kurt Ilg

October 25, 1926 – April 26, 2019

Henry Kurt Ilg passed away peacefully on April 26 surrounded by his loving wife Shirley and two stepsons Michael and Bo Moody.

Henry was born in Füllinsdorf, Switzerland to Heinrick and Emma Ilg on October 25, 1926. After receiving a degree in Mechanical Engineering, he immigrated to the United States in 1949. His first job in his new country was as a bus boy in his uncle's restaurant in Denver. In 1954, he became a U.S. citizen and that same year he married Lotte Oppenheim. Lotte passed away in 2005.

Henry held various management positions in the Bay Area before being hired by Hewlett Packard as a Plant Engineer and from there quickly moved up the ladder to become a Domestic/International Construction Project Manager, working in Japan, Singapore, Malaysia, as well as many projects in the United States.

Henry married Shirley Kendall in 2009. He embraced his new family, as they did him, becoming a supportive stepfather and doting Opa. Henry and Shirley shared their love of the arts, travel, and a strong belief in fitness and activity to keep their bodies and minds healthy.

Henry was proud to be a self-made immigrant who lived with a philosophy of personal responsibility and "you get from life what you put into life." He loved to experience new places, share cookies from his childhood and enjoyed the tranquility of his Zen designed garden. He gave to his family, friends, and community a logical international perspective wrapped in loving kindness.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley; his sister, Helen Turnherr of St. Gallen, Switzerland; his stepsons and their wives, Michael and Amy Moody, Bo and Andie Moody; and his three grandchildren, Samantha, Oliver, and Teddy.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Henry's honor to Bay Area Cancer Connections in Palo Alto or Mission Hospice in San Mateo.



PAID OBITUARY

Nita Reifschneider Spangler

Redwood City Activist

April 17, 1923 - April 18, 2019

Redwood City and San Mateo County lost a champion of education, open space, and historic preservation when Nita Reifschneider Spangler, 96, died on April 18, 2019. She contributed actively to the community for more than 60 years, leaving a legacy of significant and lasting achievements.



Nita Reifschneider was born in Ukiah, California, to John C. (Jack) and Olga (Wuertz) Reifschneider. In 1929, the family moved to Reno, Nevada. Reno's stunning open spaces — Pyramid Lake, the desert, Mount Rose, and Lake Tahoe — were major influences on Nita's lifelong interests in conservation and historic preservation.

After receiving her journalism degree from the University of Nevada Reno, she got her first full-time job as a general assignment reporter in 1944 with the Redwood City Tribune. She covered city hall, the San Mateo County Courthouse, and the founding of the United Nations in San Francisco. Nita also wrote a series that led to the formation of the Sequoia Hospital District and the building of Sequoia Hospital.

Nita married her boss (Raymond Spangler, editor and publisher of the Tribune) in 1946, but lost her job because of the paper's anti-nepotism policy. (No one else would hire her as a reporter until Ray retired.) They began raising a family: Jon, Mary, and Thor were born at Sequoia Hospital. In addition to raising three kids, Nita became actively involved in school issues, plus preservation of parks, open space, and historic sites.

Nita served two terms as president of the San Mateo County Historical Association (1964-1966). She founded the Portolá Expedition Bicentennial Foundation (1966) and was its first president. The foundation convinced the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors to purchase the Sweeney Ridge site where Gaspar de Portolá discovered San Francisco Bay, then succeeded in getting the National Park Service to designate it as a National Historic Landmark. (The Department of the Interior had turned down two prior applications.)

Nita also helped gain historic landmark designation for the Green Oaks Ranch (now part of Año Nuevo State Park) and worked with the San Mateo County Scenic Roads Committee (1967-1976), which secured State Scenic Highway status for the county's portions of Skyline Boulevard (State Route 35), Highway 1, and Interstate 280. She returned to journalism upon Ray's retirement, covering the Sequoia Union High School District's struggles with desegregation (1969-1977) for the Country Almanac in Woodside. Previously, she had joined Redwood City Citizens Against Racism to urge the school districts to deal constructively with their racial imbalances and conflicts.

Nita joined the Friends of Redwood City to halt Mobil Oil's proposed development on Bair Island (1982) with a narrow 42-vote victory out of almost 18,000 votes cast citywide. Bair Island is now part of the Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge. She also served a record 14 years (1983-1997) on the San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Commission.

Working with the Friends of Edgewood, Nita helped revise the 1997 Edgewood County Park and Natural Preserve's Master Plan, a vital step in keeping the popular park from becoming a golf course. In 1996, she was named the "Best Friend of Edgewood Park."

Nita Spangler is survived by three children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Her public memorial service will be at 10:30 AM, Saturday, June 1, in Courtroom A at the San Mateo County History Museum, 2200 Broadway, Redwood City, CA 94063. Memorial gifts in honor of Nita Reifschneider Spangler to the University of Nevada Reno Reynolds School of Journalism, the Peninsula Open Space Trust, and the Friends of Edgewood are requested.

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Menlo School's Certamen team took first place in the state competition. Team members are, from left, Lindsey Canessa, Aaron Morgan, Soda Hou, and Toby Thornburg.

Menlo students win laurels

Students in the Menlo School Junior Classical League (JCL) won multiple high honors at a recent state convention of JCL chapters from around the state, including first-place overall award in the medium-size high school division.

"The state convention brings together chapters from around the state to celebrate the Latin language and compete in academics, the arts, and athletics," Menlo School junior Sophie Reynolds explained.

Also at the event, which took place March 29 and 30 at Miramonte High School in Orinda, three Menlo students won medals for excellence: freshman Evan Kitt for arts — Latin I; junior Soda Hou for academics — Latin III; and senior Natalie Hilderbrand in athletics — advanced Latin.

In addition, the Latin III Certamen (Latin jeopardy) team won first in the state. Certamen is a jeopardy competition, where students answer questions about Latin grammar, translation, Roman history, geography, and culture, Reynolds said. Team members were sophomores Lindsey Canessa and Toby Thornburg, and juniors Soda Hou and Aaron Morgan.

Two students turned in the

highest scores in the convention on academic tests: Soda Hou for the vocabulary test, and Ethan Yan for the derivatives and reading comprehension tests.

Three Menlo School students also were elected to serve on the state JCL state board. "The board only has 10 people on it, so having three Menlo students was a momentous accomplishment," Reynolds noted. Reynolds was elected first vice president, in charge of recruiting new schools and publicity; junior Victoria Wat was elected as the organization's Northern representative, meaning that she will lead the planning for the fall convention of the Northern California JCL. And after what Reynolds described as "a dramatic constitutional state of emergency," junior Ethan Yan was appointed parliamentarian, meaning that he will work on the state JCL constitution and propose new amendments.

Menlo School's JCL club is headed by Latin teachers Dobbie Vasquez and Jude Morris.

The school also won the following honors:

- **Chapter Awards:** second place, spirit; second place, publicity; second place, basketball; third place, chariot.
- **Evan Kitt** (freshman, Latin I): first

- place Latin slogan; second place, modern myth; second place, art — pastel; first place, overall arts.
- **Anna Kim** (sophomore, Latin II): first place, classical art; second place, essay.
- **Madeline Levin** (sophomore, Latin II): first place, Pentathlon; first place, essay.
- **Jacob Halabe** (sophomore, Latin III): first place, derivatives; second place, mottoes; third place, classical art; third place, essay.
- **Jonathan "Soda" Hou** (junior, Latin III): first place, overall academic; first place reading comprehension; first place, vocabulary; third place, track 400M.
- **Aaron Morgan** (junior, Latin III): first place, track 400M.
- **Sophie Golub** (junior, advanced Latin): first place, costume contest; first place, swimming, 50 backstroke.
- **Sophie Reynolds** (junior, advanced Latin): first place, art — charts; second place, English slogan.
- **Ethan Yan** (junior, advanced Latin): first place, derivatives; first place, reading comprehension; first place Latin oratory; first place, English oratory; first place, essay; third place, Latin slogan.
- **Greg Hilderbrand** (freshman, Latin II): second place, swimming, 50 breaststroke; second place, swimming, 100 I.M.
- **Natalie Hilderbrand** (senior, advanced Latin): first place, overall athletics; second place, swimming, 50 backstroke; second place, swimming, 50 breaststroke; third place, swimming, 50 free; third place, swimming, 100 I.M.
- **Morgan Wyatt** (junior, advanced Latin): second place, vocabulary; third place, sight Latin reading.
- **Ben Banatao** (freshman, Latin II): third place, Latin slogan; third place, art — black pencil.
- **Michael Jeffries** (sophomore, Latin III): third place, grammar (Level 2); third place, ancient geography (Level 2).
- **Toby Thornburg** (sophomore, Latin III): third place, grammar; third place, reading comprehension; third place, English slogan.
- **Anna Guiragossian** (senior, advanced Latin): third place, arts — acrylic.

Five local students win merit scholarships

Five high school students who attend schools in The Almanac's coverage area have been named winners of individual \$2,500 scholarships from the National Merit Scholarship Corp., a privately funded nonprofit based in Illinois, according to a May 8 announcement.

Scholarship winners are Thomas A. Woodside, Menlo School; Rayan H. Rizvi and Antonio M. Caceros, Sacred Heart Prep; and Cecilia Hanna and Anna Quinlan, Menlo-Atherton, according to a National Merit Scholarship Corp. press release.

Caceros and Woodside are

interested in careers in computer science, the statement said. Hanna is interested in academia, and Rizvi in politics. Quinlan, who also won the 2018 18th Congressional District's App Challenge for creating an insulin pump app, is interested in bioinformatics.

The awards are given for a combination of accomplishments, skills and potential for success in rigorous college studies, the statement said.

The 2,500 scholarship winners were chosen from a pool of more than 15,000 students. The nonprofit will distribute scholarships totaling more than \$31

million.

A committee of college admissions officers and high school counselors choose the scholars. They consider a student's academic record, standardized test scores, contributions and leadership in school and community activities, an essay written by the finalist, and a recommendation letter from a high school official.

— by Angela Swartz

More scholars

- The Rotary Club of Menlo Park has named its scholarship winners. See Page 23.

Lifetime of Achievement honorees create community legacies

By pushing beyond what is to what could be, this year's Avenidas Lifetimes of Achievement honorees have created long-term changes in their communities that are stretching beyond

their tenures and into the next generations. From launching a theater company with national reach, to advocating for legislation and programs for those facing end-of-life choices, to

preserving tens of thousands of acres of Peninsula hills, baylands and coastside as open space, Gloria Hom, Robert Kelley, Ginny Lear, Ward and Mary Paine, and Mike and Ellen Turbow have spent

decades planting the roots of change through organizations and programs they helped create for the benefit of the community at large. The honorees were celebrated at a recent event sponsored

by the nonprofit Avenidas and the Palo Alto Weekly. The contributions of Robert Kelley of Menlo Park and Ward and Mary Paine of Portola Valley are highlighted here.

Robert Kelley: A lifelong passion for theater

By Karla Kane

When he joined a Palo Alto Children's Theatre production at age 9, Robert Kelley didn't know he would dedicate his life to local theater or ultimately impact generations of local actors and audiences.

"I just walked by and went, 'Ooh, that looks like fun,'" he said. "The thrill of theater stuck."

As the founder and artistic director of TheatreWorks Silicon Valley, Kelley has spent nearly 50 years creating art on the Midpeninsula and, although the company has evolved from humble origins into an award-winning professional venture, Kelley's dedication to what he called TheatreWorks' core values — innovation, diversity and education — remains unchanged.

And as a fitting cap on his career, this year TheatreWorks will receive the Regional Theatre Tony Award from the American Theatre Wing, to be presented in New York City on June 9.

"TheatreWorks is a dream come true for me," he said. "And a lot of people have shared that dream."

Kelley moved to Palo Alto at age 5 and has lived in the area for most of his life. He currently resides in Menlo Park with long-time partner Ev Shiro.

He graduated from Stanford University with an English degree. In 1970, the city of Palo Alto invited him to help create a summer youth theater project. He and his young team wrote, produced and performed an original musical, "Popcorn," at the Lucie Stern Theater.

"It was based on conflict in the community between generations; in 1970 there was plenty of that, so the premise was finding a way to bring those worlds together," he said. "We set it in 'Scraggly Tree, California.'"

While the show included a depiction of a student protest-turned-riot, a real one occurred just days before "Popcorn" opened, inadvertently leading to more attention for the show's premiere.

"The show became a great big huge hit and that's how we got started," he said. "It was a show about us, about our values,



Photo by Veronica Weber

Robert Kelley, founder and artistic director of TheatreWorks Silicon Valley, is stepping down from his post after next season.

the things that mattered, and of course it was an educational project as well. All the fundamental values of TheatreWorks were built into that original idea."

(Any chance of a "Popcorn" revival? "I wouldn't hold your breath," he laughed.)

Thus, what would become TheatreWorks was off and running. The name came in 1973, and the "Silicon Valley" was added in 2014.

The fledgling group produced plays all over town, from the Baylands Nature Interpretive Center — where actors shared a dressing room with live snakes — to churches, restaurants and the parking garage beneath City Hall.

Fittingly for an Avenidas Lifetimes of Achievement honoree, Kelley revealed a "secret connection" to Avenidas: TheatreWorks' 1974 production of "Cabaret" was performed in the then-vacant Avenidas building on Bryant Street, the city's former police and fire station.

In the decades that followed,

TheatreWorks further dedicated itself to diversity and nontraditional casting, and expanded to performance spaces including Foothill College and Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts. Over the years, the company became fully professional, hiring Actor's Equity Association actors and joining the League of Resident Theatres.

In 2001, the New Works Initiative, nurturing emerging work and artists, was launched. And TheatreWorks' educational wing still offers students the thrill of theater that Kelley first experienced as a child.

The company has seen many of its world premieres and alumni go on to succeed beyond the Bay Area (not to mention its imminent Tony Award). Kelley's focus, though, has always been to produce work that is meaningful for local audiences.

"We haven't been oriented toward Broadway. It's really been about here: What is the right art for this community? So, it's kind of been a revelation to realize how many folks there really are

out in the world that have been here," he said.

Some people have been surprised, he said, to learn the Midpeninsula can support world-class theater. But, he added, "You can't possibly imagine another place in the world where creating new things is of more value."

It's difficult to separate the company from the man who's nurtured it from the start, whose devoted-but-mellow style has helped mentor countless others in the theater community.

Kelley, said director and playwright Ken Savage, "taught me that directing is like painting — he molds his actors and design pieces into masterful works of visual art that give the audience insight to relationships and character. ... I feel lucky to have had the opportunity to work alongside him to support his vast canvas."

But, an end of an era is coming. Kelley will step down as artistic director following TheatreWorks' next season. A half-century is, after all, a pretty good run.

"It felt like an appropriate time. I want the company to continue to grow and move," he said, adding with a laugh that he doesn't expect TheatreWorks' next leader to commit to 50 years.

An admitted workaholic, Kelley said that in the rare instances when he's not entrenched in theater projects he enjoys playing the piano and exploring nature. His cottage, he noted, is near San Francisquito Creek, just a few blocks from where he spent his childhood.

Despite his impending departure from TheatreWorks, Kelley has no plans to retire; he's committed to continuing his directing career, as well as writing and teaching.

"This wonderful honor from Avenidas is definitely for people who've been at it for a long time," he said. "But just because you become the oldest person employed in an organization doesn't mean you're the least active." ▀

Karla Kane writes for the Palo Alto Weekly, The Almanac's sister publication.

Ward and Mary Paine: Pioneer preservationists

By Melissa McKenzie

Portola Valley duo Ward and Mary Paine have been key players in preserving tens of thousands of acres of Peninsula hills, baylands and coasts as permanent open space over more than five decades.

Their path to conservation began after they moved to the Bay Area in the early 1960s: Ward was working with KRS Electronics; Mary was volunteering for various health and welfare nonprofits, which eventually led her to the environmental group Peninsula Conservation Center, where she took a seat on the board.

“They were in a little tiny house in Menlo Park ... but they were inundated with requests for help from the schools about teaching environmental ed, which was sort of new terminology in the late 1960s,” Mary said.

Mary turned to Ward — who by this time had launched a tech startup and was well on his way to becoming one of the valley’s earliest venture capitalists — to assist with the organization’s finances.

This was the start of their prolific work in preservation, first together at the Conservation Center and then separately through nonprofits that they helped co-found.

Mary’s fundraising efforts at the Conservation Center led to a spin-off organization, Environmental Volunteers, a nonprofit aimed at introducing natural history and environmental science to children. She co-founded the organization after chairing a Conservation Center auction to fund efforts to spur interest in conservation within the community. The auction raised \$10,000, which was used to create a project that became the Environmental Volunteers.

Over the years, Mary raised funds for the nonprofit, including leading the eight-year effort to secure \$3.8 million to restore the ship-shaped Sea Scout building in the Baylands that became the group’s headquarters in 2012. She also worked with the Woodside-Atherton Garden Club to restore hundreds of acres in the San Francisco Bay through planting and alleviating tidal



Photo by Veronica Weber

Mary and Ward Paine were involved in environmental causes before most people knew what conservationism was all about.

surge and infill.

Around the same time Mary was launching Environmental Volunteers, Ward helped develop the Peninsula Open Space Trust (POST), an offshoot of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District that negotiates with local

property owners to purchase parcels of land for open space and conservation. Once land is acquired, the Regional Open Space District manages the space.

Through easements and land purchases, POST has been responsible for preserving

more than 76,000 acres of open space in San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz counties, including the 1,719 acres surrounding Pigeon Point Lighthouse on the coast, which the group secured for \$39 million

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Stanford University Development Project and the General Use Permit Application

County of Santa Clara Planning Commission Hearing #1
Thursday, May 30, 2019 / 6:00 PM

City of Palo Alto Council Chambers / 250 Hamilton Avenue, Palo Alto, CA 94301

This is the only hearing before the Planning Commission on the project in Palo Alto. Other hearings will be in San Jose.



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in 2000. The deal was reportedly the largest amount of money ever paid by a nonprofit for land in the western United States.

"It was Herb Grench's idea to have a private company do what (POST) does, and I was sort of the implementer," Ward said. "I recruited the board of directors, and I was the chairman for the first 10 years. We had a terrific group of seven or eight people, and we met at 7:45 in the morning because everybody had to go to work. We had an office at 3000 Sand Hill Road because (Director) Tom Ford owned the building."

The group, which included conservationists and a real estate developer, began in 1972. Ward said POST's first major conservation success was the Windy Hill area of Portola Valley, which was originally slated for the development of more than 400 homes.

"We have a farm program now where we will buy a piece of property, and we'll put limitations on it and find farmers to farm it. If they're unsuccessful or if they need to sell it, we will buy it back along with the improvements, like tractors and irrigation ditches. The idea is to keep it green and agricultural and not make it look like Santa Monica."

Ward believes the creation of POST is the most successful thing he's been a part of, including all of the projects and businesses he financed as a venture capitalist.

"When Ward and I first moved here, the environmental movement didn't exist, and yet, there were little enclaves like Hidden Villa out in Los Altos Hills and a little group called Green Foot-hills," Mary said.

"There were land trust discussions that were happening in San Francisco, and it was very avant-garde to go to these meetings," she said. "Of course, now it's all such an ordinary part of our conversation. It's a changed world. Now, everyone speaks conservation; everyone speaks environment. But it's hard to believe that 40 years ago nobody knew what the word meant." ■

Melissa McKenzie is a freelance writer.

Public Notices

995 Fictitious Name Statement

DIGITAL EQUANIMITY
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 280977
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Digital Equanimity, located at 740 Menlo Oaks Dr., Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
HARBRINDER S. KANG
740 Menlo Oaks Dr.
Menlo Park, CA 94025
This business is conducted by: An Individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on April 11, 2019.
(ALM May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2019)

SEED TO ROOTS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 281157
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Seed to Roots, located at 417-A Oak Grove Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
AMERICA GONZALEZ
417-A Oak Grove 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 02, 2019.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on May 2, 2019.
(ALM May 15, 22, 29; June 5, 2019)

GLASSWING MEDIA
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 281193
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Glasswing Media, located at 160 Sausal Drive, Portola Valley, CA 94028, San Mateo County; Mailing address: 304 S. Jones Blvd., Ste. 1218, Las Vegas, NV 89107.
Registered owner(s):
TRICIA HEALD
160 Sausal Drive
Portola Valley, CA 94028
This business is conducted by: An Individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on May 8, 2019.
(ALM May 15, 22, 29; June 5, 2019)

BR CHABOT CONSTRUCTION
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 281103
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
BR Chabot Construction, located at 230 Old Spanish Trail, Portola Valley, CA 94028, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
BERTIN RAYMOND CHABOT III
230 Old Spanish Trail
Portola Valley, CA 94028
This business is conducted by: An Individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on April 26, 2019.
(ALM May 15, 22, 29; June 5, 2019)

BULL PAINTING COMPANY
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 281126
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

Bull Painting Company, located at 530 Oak Grove Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
ANTONIO NOLASCO
252 Hedge Rd.
Menlo Park, CA 94025
This business is conducted by: An Individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 5-01-19.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on May 1, 2019.
(ALM May 15, 22, 29; June 5, 2019)

PIVOTING HOME CARE
PIVOTING ASPECTS HEATHCARE STAFFING
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File No.: 281215
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
1.) Pivoting Home Care, 2.) Pivoting Aspects Healthcare Staffing, located at 318 Westlake Center, Ste. 202, Daly City, CA 94015, San Mateo County; Mailing address: 2861 Fleetwood Dr., San Bruno, CA 94066.
Registered owner(s):
PIVOTING ASPECTS
2861 Fleetwood Dr.
San Bruno, CA 94066
California
This business is conducted by: A Corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on May 10, 2019.
(ALM May 22, 29; June 5, 12, 2019)

STANFORD GARDENS
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 281124
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Stanford Gardens, located at 718 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025, San Mateo County.
Registered owner(s):
LAKESHORE DRIVE, LLC
718 Oak Grove Avenue
Menlo Park, CA 94025
This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of San Mateo County on May 1, 2019.
(ALM May 22, 29; June 5, 12, 2019)

997 All Other Legals

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Case No.: 19CIV02466
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: ERIC ELISEA GERMAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
ERIC ELISEA GERMAN to ERIC ELISEA.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING: June 12, 2019, 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: April 25, 2019
/s/ Jonathan E. Karesh
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
(ALM May 15, 22, 29; June 5, 2019)

IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF INCLINE VILLAGE-CRYSTAL BAY TOWNSHIP COUNTY OF WASHOE, STATE OF NEVADA

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION OF SUMMONS
Case No.: ISC 19-00003
Dept. No.: 1

LYNELL HEATLEY, Plaintiff,
VS.
ROBIN J. REYNOLDS, Defendant.

Upon the Affidavit Order for Publication of Summons and the Affidavit of Non-Service attached thereto, filed herein, it appears to the satisfaction of the Court and the Court finds, that the Affidavit and Order cannot be served upon Defendant in person within the State of California; and it appearing from the affidavit, and the Court here finds, that a cause of action exists in favor of the Plaintiff against Defendant, that Defendant is a necessary and proper party herein, and the last-known residence and address of Defendant is/was 1633 Madison Ave., Redwood City, CA 94061. It further appearing that the Mercury News, Redwood City, Daly News and San Mateo Times is the most likely to provide notice to the Defendant of the pendency of the suit. NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Affidavit and Order in this suit be served on Defendant, ROBIN J. REYNOLDS, herein by publication thereof in the above-named newspaper.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of the Affidavit and Order be deposited in the United States Post Office at Richmond, California, enclosed in a sealed envelope upon which the postage is fully prepaid, addressed to Defendant at: ROBIN J. REYNOLDS, 1633 Madison Ave., Redwood City, CA 94061.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that due service of a copy of the Affidavit and Order on Defendant in person outside of the State of Nevada shall be equivalent to completed service by publication and deposit in the united states Post Office and that such process may be served upon Defendant as prescribed by statute.

Dated this 13th day of May, 2019.
/s/ _____
Justice of the Peace

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AFFIDAVIT AND ORDER
IN THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT OF INCLINE VILLAGE-CRYSTAL BAY TOWNSHIP WASHOE COUNTY, STATE OF NEVADA
(775) 832-4100

NOTICE
If either party requires a court reporter, please see Small Claims Information sheet for instructions.

Case No. ISC: 19-00003

Plaintiff: LYNELL HEATLEY
15 Breakers Blvd., Richmond, CA 94804
510-599-3837
LB_HEATLEY@yahoo.com
VS.
Defendant: Robin J. Reynolds
1633 Madison Ave. Redwood City, CA 94061
650-465-1935
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AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLAINT
STATE OF NEVADA, COUNTY OF WASHOE

l, the undersigned plaintiff, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada declare that the defendant(s) is (are) indebted to me in the sum of \$ 2492.60 (plus court costs) for the following reasons:
Property damage and expenses due to the defendant's water heater (861 Southwood Blvd. #18 Incline Village, NV 89451), flooding my units basement (#17) on November 8, 2017. Rob admitted his guilt & neglect, and promised to rectify my damages. He has made one payment to me of \$200 (January 2018).
I further declare, that I have demanded payment of said sum; that the defendant(s) refused to pay the same and no part thereof has been paid; and to the best of my knowledge at the commencement of the action, jurisdiction exists in this township under NRS 73.010.
I acknowledge that I have received and read the document entitled "Small Claims Information" and will comply with the requirements therein.
The undersigned does hereby affirm that pursuant to NRS 239B.030, this document does not contain the social security number of any person.
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

/s/ _____
Plaintiff/Declarant
Filed On: 3/14/19

ORDER

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, to the within-named defendant(s) : You are hereby directed to appear and answer the foregoing claim in the above-entitled court at INCLINE VILLAGE JUSTICE COURT, 865 Tahoe Blvd., Suite 301, Incline Village, Nevada. (775) 832-4100. For additional information, go to www.ivcbcourt.com. On Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 10:30 AM reset for Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 10:30 AM reset for Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 10:30 AM

/s/ Frances Fash
Clerk of the Court
By /s/ _____
Deputy Clerk

(ALM May 22, 29; June 5, 12, 2019)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Case No.: 19CIV02466
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: JEFFREY ALLEN GRANT filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
JEFFREY ALLEN GRANT to JEFFREY ALLEN CARVAJAL.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING: June 19, 2019, 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: May 7, 2019
/s/ Jonathan E. Karesh
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
(ALM May 22, 29; June 5, 12, 2019)

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Menlo Park Rotary awards scholarships

More than 100 students from four local high schools received scholarships and academic achievement awards during the Rotary Club of Menlo Park's scholastic achievement awards ceremony at the Menlo-Atherton Performing Arts Center on May 13.

Scholarships worth \$145,000 were awarded to 23 local high school students, including seven who received Alice Kleeman Community College awards, named after the longtime guidance counselor at Menlo-Atherton High School.

Rotary Club of Menlo Park Foundation president Lisa Cesario said the scholarship funds are derived from contributions by club members, investments from former members and donors, and club fundraising events such as the annual Tour de Menlo bicycle ride held in August.

In addition to the Alice Kleeman awards, other scholarships in varying amounts were given to 16 students who were chosen by the Rotary's scholarship committee, which interviewed all applicants.

The scholastic achievement awards went to students from Eastside College Prep, Menlo-Atherton, Sacred Heart Prep and Menlo School.

The evening began with a rousing concert by the Menlo-Atherton Jazz Band, and a talk by Menlo College President Steven Weiner titled "Make a Difference."

The scholastic achievement awards were presented by representatives from each high school.

The college scholarships were presented by Lisa Cesario, Michelle Tsui (Tsui-Tsiang Family Math and Science Scholarship), and Drue Kataoka (the Drue Kataoka Arts Scholarship).

Following are the names of the scholarships, the recipient's name and high school, and the college the recipient plans to attend.

■ Menlo Park Rotary Foundation Scholarship: Sal Argueta, Menlo School, Arizona State University.

■ Robert G. Paroli Family Scholarship: Samantha Castaneda, Menlo School, Williams College.

■ Menlo Park Rotary Foundation Scholarship: David Civil, Eastside College Preparatory, UC Riverside.

■ Business and Professional Scholarship: Gabriella Guttierrez, Sacred Heart Preparatory, Santa Clara University.

■ Doris and Orm Rector Scholarship: Sandra Guttierrez, Menlo-Atherton, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.

■ Menlo Park Rotary Foundation Scholarship: Nery Roman Hernandez, Eastside College Preparatory, USC.

■ Menlo Park Rotary Foundation Scholarship: Joseph Hill, Sacred Heart Preparatory, Arizona State University.

■ Barbara and Tom Borden Scholarship: Cindy James, Sacred Heart Preparatory, St. Mary's (Moraga).

■ Menlo Park Rotary Foundation Scholarship: Isabelle Maennle, Sacred Heart Preparatory, UC Santa Cruz.

■ Crittenden Family Scholarship:



Scholarship winners, front row, from left, Cynthia Alvarenga, Lesly Posada, Emily Linares, Rosemary Barajas, Gladys Monje-Landeros, Guadelupe Sahagun-Velasco, Gabriella Guttierrez, and Cindy Jaimes. Second row, Samantha Castaneda, Isabelle Maennle, Carlos Nunez, David Civil, Christopher Mansilla, Sandra Guttierrez, Ninarose Roybal. Third row, Nery Roman Hernandez, Joseph Hill, Sal Argueta, Eric Perez, Daniel Maldonado, Madelyn Trujillo, Abraham Guerrero.

Christopher Mansilla, Eastside College Preparatory, UC Santa Barbara.

■ Menlo Park Rotary Foundation Scholarship: Gladys Monje-Landeros, Eastside College Preparatory, UC Santa Cruz.

■ Menlo Park Rotary Foundation Scholarship: Carlos Nunez, Eastside College Preparatory, UC Riverside.

■ John D. Russell Scholarship: Eric Perez, Eastside College Preparatory, Georgetown University.

■ Tsui/Tsiang Family Math and Science

Scholarship: Guadalupe Sahagun-Velasco, Eastside College Preparatory, UC Riverside.

■ Drue Kataoka Arts Scholarship: Ninarose Roybal.

■ Alice Kleeman Community College Awards (given to M-A students only): Cynthia Alvarenga, Rosemary Barajas, Abraham Guerrero, Emily Linares, Daniel Maldonado, Lesly Posada and Madelyn Trujillo.

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