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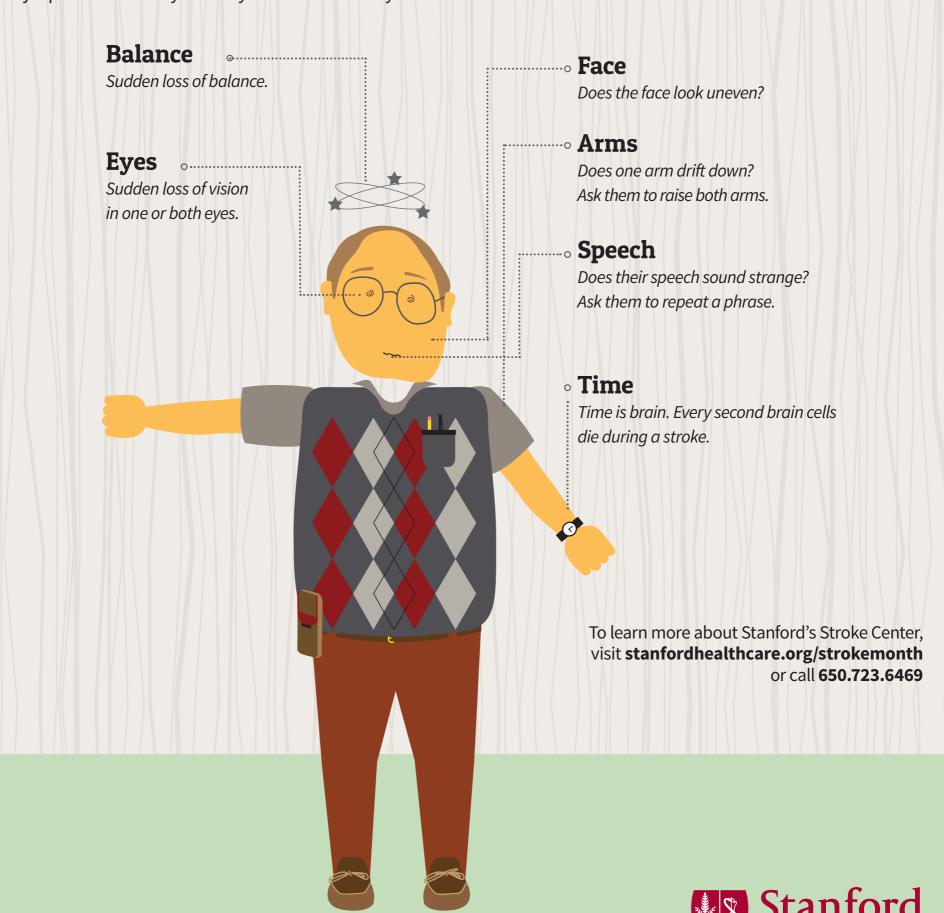
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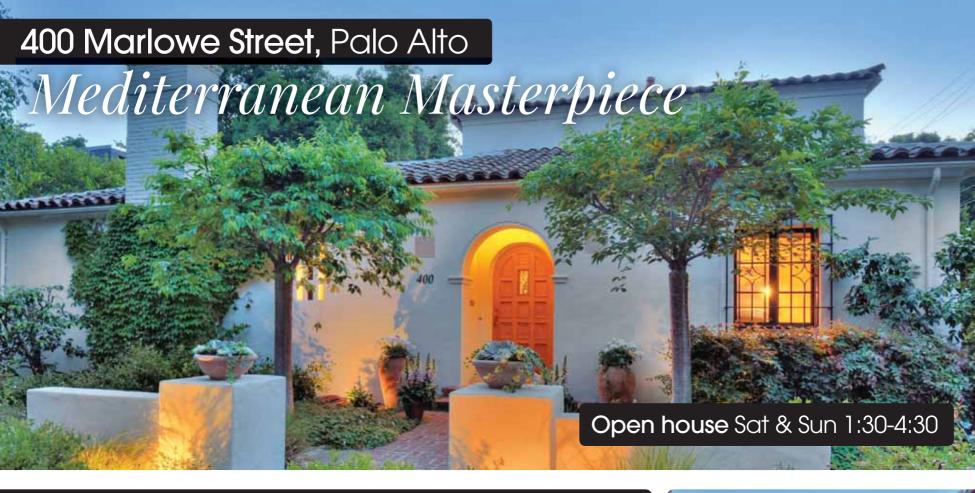


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#### New city jobs prove a tough sell in Palo Alto

Council committee questions need for staffing increases in proposed budget

by Gennady Sheyner

he budget climate may be as sunny as ever in Palo Alto, but the city's elected officials have been casting clouds over proposals to hire new workers.

The City Council's Finance Committee this month has taken a skeptical stance toward numerous items in City Manager James Keene's proposed fiscal year 2016 budget and is deferring its decisions on several requests for more staffing.

The difficult decisions belie the fact that financial times in Palo Alto have never been better. The

budget, which the City Council is set to formally adopt in mid-June, shows the city's revenues jumping by \$14 million between fiscal year 2015 and 2016, which begins on July 1. Just about every major tax category is showing gains. As Keene noted in the introduction to the budget, the city "continues to be at the epicenter of a thriving regional economy."

Overall, Keene is proposing to add 13.3 new positions, with the

lion's share of the changes involving the library and planning departments. The net increase in positions, however, is 7.3 because of the city's recent decision to outsource its street-sweeping services. If the budget is approved as proposed, the workforce at City Hall would increase from 1,033.8 full-time positions to 1,041.1 positions.

If all of the positions are approved, the amount that the city spends on salaries and benefits in

its General Fund would increase from \$150 million to \$158.6 million in the coming fiscal year.

At the committee's May 5 meeting, Keene framed the debate over new City Hall positions as a question of "balancing the council and the community expectations with the resources that we have."

On the one hand, the city continues to struggle with the rising

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LAND USE

### **Downtown post office considers move to Alma**

Public meeting on locations, services to be held May 28

by Sue Dremann

iting a critical loss of revenue, the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) is considering moving its downtown branch to Alma Street at the corner of Addison Avenue, according to a May 11 letter to Mayor Karen Holman.

The letter comes in advance of next week's public meeting, sponsored by the USPS, regarding relocating its services from the historic Hamilton Avenue Post Office, which the postal service is considering selling.

The public meeting will be held May 28 at 11 a.m. at 380 Hamilton Ave

In his letter to Holman, Dean Cameron, USPS real estate specialist, said that postal officials are looking at two potential locations: the basement of the current downtown building and 999 Alma St., the location of the Anthropologie clothing store.

Anthropologie plans to move to Stanford Shopping Center in 2016, opening a larger store, Manager Whitney Larson said Thursday.

"If the Postal Service decides to move forward with its relocation," Cameron wrote in his letter, "it anticipates offering the post office property for sale after completing a separate process to take into account the effects, if any, of the sale on historic properties."

The 1932 building was de-

The 1932 building was designed by local architect Birge Clark and features many characteristics of the Colonial Revival style, including arcade frontage, a tiled roof and a stucco exterior. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, which means that any attempt to alter it would have to undergo a strenuous historic-review process.

Cameron in his letter offered to discuss the project with the city.

Postal officials will discuss the size, potential location and services that would be offered at the new facility at next Thursday's meeting. The public and city officials will have 30 days to send in written appeals and comments regarding the tentative decision to relocate.

If the Postal Service finds another location not discussed at the public meeting, it will make an additional community presentation, Cameron said.

The Palo Alto City Council authorized City Manager James Keene to make a bid for the downtown building, which has about 20,000 square feet of usable floor space, in May 2013. Ideas about which city departments and services could be located there have been floated in the past year. USPS officials have said they need only about 3,500 square feet of space for the post office's operation, and city officials have proposed leasing some of the building space back to the federal branch.

A May 18 letter from Keene to Cameron reiterated the city's interest in the purchase.

"This letter is to let you know that given the importance of the historic post office building and its role in the fabric of Palo Alto's downtown, the city continues to be very interested in acquiring the 380 Hamilton Avenue property. The City Council wants to be sure that when USPS is ready to receive an updated offer, the city will be notified at the earliest possible date," he wrote.

Holman and Keene plan to attend a briefing offered by Cameron, Keene's letter stated. ■



**Deer spotting at The Dish** 

A doe grazes in tall mustard grass that is blooming at the Stanford Dish on Wednesday.

**CRIME** 

#### Sea search suspended for missing pilot

Palo Alto police take lead on investigating two-week-old disappearance

by Sue Dremann

ilot William James Mc-Adams slipped away in the dead of night from the Palo Alto Airport two weeks ago, but in his wake the mystery of his disappearance has generated worldwide media attention.

Authorities still have no additional information about the Palo Alto resident or the whereabouts of the plane he is said to have stolen, Palo Alto police Sgt. Brian Philip said. But arrest records from Florida have raised suspicions that McAdams, 24, might be a fugitive.

The U.S. Coast Guard has confirmed that it called off a formal

search hours after the plane vanished near the Mexico border because the search area of the Pacific Ocean was too vast, a Coast Guard spokesman said.

McAdams allegedly stole a 2011 G1000 Skyhawk 1TG from his employer, Advantage Aviation, on May 8 at 1 a.m. and flew south, according to police. The last radar ping put him near the Mexican border about 70 miles out into the Pacific Ocean, according to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Palo Alto police.

The U.S. Coast Guard initiated a "call-out" and began a search after being alerted that McAdams and the plane were missing, Coast Guard spokesman Petty Officer Bill Colclough said. But once they identified the search area, the agency suspended an official search.

Given the speed of the aircraft of about 134 mph and the time of the last known position, the search area was deemed "unreasonable," Colclough said.

The plane could have been anywhere within about 120,000 square miles, he said.

"Typically, we can search with a combination of aircraft and rescue

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Upfront

#### **QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

# I'm just praying.



Stephanie McAdams, mother of missing pilot William James McAdams, on not knowing his whereabouts. See story on page 5.

new meaning at Gunn High School, which has unveiled the school's first water-bottle filling station. The station was installed on Earth Day to curb the use of disposable plastic water bottles on campus. Students Aitan Grossman and Josh Kaplan began campaigning last March to stop the sale of single-use water bottles and asked for money for filling stations. The students recognized that single-use bottles are a burden to the environment, a user's health and the economy. The stations allow students to fill up and drink from refillable water bottles, a more environmentally friendly way for students to stay hydrated. A documentary called "Tapped" inspired the students, and they gathered 500 signatures in support from students and teachers. Palo Alto residents also showed support. "Josh and I were blown away by the support we received from Gunn students and staff, and even concerned Palo Alto citizens," Grossman said in a statement, "We started out afraid that our petition would be seen as radical, but our campaign was met with high fives and enthusiasm all around." The team believes that the stations symbolize more than a step for health, the environment and the economy. The move is about fostering a community of "resilient, responsible, respectful, contributing citizens," as Gunn High School's mission statement says.

**COMFORT AND EDUCATE ...** Four Stanford medical students have written a children's book called

"Stanford Storytellers" to help children understand and feel comfortable in the hospital. The book is about a young girl's "fantastical reimagining of the hospital as she looks for her teddy bear. As she becomes more familiar with the medicines and machines around her, she begins to understand that the hospital is a place for her to get better," according to the Stanford Storytellers website. The authors -Afaaf Shakir, Michael Nedelman, Karen Hong and Zahra Sayyid, along with illustrator Emma Stein-

kellner, a Stanford undergraduate hope the book will reach the children they are writing for. "There are lots of people I'd love to see connect with the book: the 5-year-old chemo patient, seeing the hospital through a new lens. Or his classmates, who may not understand why he always seems to be missing class," NedelScope, a medical blog by **Stanford University School of Medicine** 

WANTED: A VISION ... If you have strong views about the future of Palo Alto (and who doesn't?), City Hall wants to hear from you. The city this week is preparing to jumpstart its effort to update its official municipal "bible," the Comprehensive Plan, which lays out strategies for growth, transportation, nature, governance and just about everything else locals hold dear. The main event for this eight-year effort will take place on Saturday, May 30, with a special all-day "summit" at the Mitchell Park Community Center. That's when the City Council, planning commissioners and interested residents will gather for a series of discussions and workshops focused on transportation. sustainability and housing. That's also when the city will solicit applications for a new Citizens Advisory Committee that will help shepherd the Comprehensive Plan update. The council voted this week to create the new committee, which will participate in getting broad community input on the planning effort and make recommendations on changes to the plan's chapters. Though the decision to create a new 20-member committee in the eleventh hour is unlikely to speed up a process that has been creeping along since 2006, the council agreed that bringing in more citizen input is the right thing to do. Hence, it voted 8-0 (with Liz Kniss absent) to create the new body, which will include stakeholders with expertise in affordable housing, architecture, real estate and other pertinent topics. The decision wasn't without its disagreements. Councilman **Tom DuBois** proposed that the committee include parents of students from a variety of local schools; neighborhood representatives; and a business owner — suggestions that his colleagues endorsed. His proposal that all voting members of the committee be Palo Alto residents also won support, though not without a debate. Councilman Marc Berman argued that the city is missing "an outsider's perspective" and suggested allowing up to two voting members to be non-residents. Berman's proposal failed, with only Greg Scharff and Cory Wolbach joining him. The city plans to close the application process on June 15. The group will begin meeting in early July.

RECREATION

#### Stanford trail construction to begin

New trails planned for Stanford Avenue, El Camino Real and Junipero Serra Boulevard

by Gennady Sheyner

fter more than two years of planning and designing, Stanford University is looking to break ground this month on an ambitious trail project to create a smoother trip for bicyclists and pedestrians around its campus, the nearby foothills and north Palo Alto.

Once completed, the 3.4-mile multi-use trail will stretch along sections of El Camino Real, Junipero Serra Boulevard and Stanford Avenue, providing new connections to Stanford Stadium, Town & Country Village, Palo Alto Medical Foundation, Stanford Shopping Center and the transit hub at University Avenue.

In the near term, however, the project will hit local bikers and pedestrians with a few inconveniences, including the closure of the Stanford Dish for a month this summer. It will also remove dozens of parking spaces on Stanford Avenue, near the Dish, and create new ones on Coyote Hill Road.

The trail project was sparked by a \$4.5 million allocation from Santa Clara County. The money was initially transferred to the county by Stanford as part of the school's "general use permit," an agreement signed in 2000 that allows Stanford to build up to 5 million square feet of new development. While the original plan was to spend the money on a trail in San Mateo County, that project fizzled under political opposition, freeing up funds for the new perimeter trail in Palo Alto.

Larry Horton, Stanford's recently retired vice president for public affairs, lauded the new trail system as "an exciting project and a big win for both Stanford and Palo Alto."

"After a few months of construction inconvenience, we will have a new connector trail, more and better parking, safer conditions for people and access to new recreational opportunities," Horton said.

Construction will begin later this month, when workers start setting up the new pathways on El Camino Real, between Stanford Avenue and Quarry Road. In mid-summer, the popular Stanford Dish will be closed to the public between July 13 and Aug. 16. The summer months will also see a flurry of construction on Stanford Avenue, according to an announcement from the university. That component of the trail project is scheduled to coincide with the summer school break.

The trail project has won an enthusiastic endorsement from the Stanford Campus Residential Leaseholders, which is composed of Stanford employees who live on campus.

Jim Śweeney, the group's board president, said in a statement that the plan makes "great strides toward completing a well-planned integrated set of recreational facilities that would allow walking, jogging and bicycling connections from the Bay to the Arastradero Preserve.

"These improvements would be used regularly by a wide spectrum of campus residents, by res-



Pedestrians walk to and from The Dish along the shoulder of Stanford Avenue. Stanford is installing a Perimeter Trail from El Camino Real to Junipero Serra Boulevard, which will widen bike lanes and relocate some parking.

idents of our neighboring cities and by others who visit Stanford to use its recreational facilities, including people from many different age groups — from children to the elderly," Sweeney told

the Stanford News Service.

Not everyone is as enthusiastic about the trail project. Dozens of residents who frequent the Dish have been complaining about the new parking plan for Stanford Avenue, which leads to the main gate of the popular hiking destination.

The new trail system would replace the existing parking configu-

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**HOUSING** 

#### **Buena Vista closure heads toward final chapter**

As City Council prepares for May 26 decision on park's closure, focus remains on schools

by Gennady Sheyner

ith the City Council just days away from making a decision on the closure of Buena Vista Mobile Home Park, supporters of preserving the low-income community in Barron Park are making a renewed push to keep Palo Alto schools at the center of the conversation.

The question of whether the value of a Palo Alto education should be included in the relocation benefits offered to the park's roughly 400 residents is at the heart of the dispute over the closure application. The relocation package offered by the property owners, the Jisser family, is based on an appraisal that did not specifically consider the value of schools in determining the cost of relocating to a "comparable com-

munity." While local law does not list schools as a factor that needs to be considered, Buena Vista residents, their attorneys and supporters have argued that Palo Alto's vaunted education system is one of the city's most defining characteristics.

From the perspective of Mike Pyatok, a Buena Vista supporter and the architect of such affordable-housing projects as Palo Alto's Oak Court and Treehouse, schools are by far the most important characteristic of living in the city. Pyatok made a plea this week for the council to do anything it can to prevent the residents' eviction.

The New York native recalled his own childhood in "one of the worst tenements of Brooklyn," a four-story walk-up with 100 units per acre. He said he lived in one cockroach-ridden room with his mother and a brother until he turned 22 and went to Harvard University, where he completed his education as an architect.

Thanks in large part to Franklin Roosevelt's rent-control legislation, Pyatok was able to stay in that neighborhood and attend local schools, including an "outstanding" public elementary school, PS 107. Pyatok credited the school for helping him get into a good high school and land scholarships to the Pratt Institute and, ultimately, Harvard.

"As an architect of over 40,000 multi-family dwellings and a winner of hundreds of design awards and housing competitions — I

would be the first to assure you that the single-most important measure of good housing is not the quality of fixtures, finishes and furnishings — not how good it looks from the outside," Pyatok told the council. "The single-most important measure of the quality of family housing is how good is the school system in which that housing is located."

Pyatok called it "not just negligent, it is criminal" that the Buena Vista appraisal left schools out of its scope.

The council likewise agreed on April 14 that the value of schools should be considered in the appraisal, voting to tentatively approve the closure application but ordering an added appraisal specifically of the worth of access to local schools and safety.

On May 5, however, the appraiser who was commissioned to perform this analysis, David Beccaria, wrote a defiant letter stating that his company will not go forward with this assignment. He also contended that any further communication with him about the methodology would be considered "pressuring the appraisal"

The council is scheduled to

take a formal vote on the closure application on Tuesday, May 26. It could opt to allow the closure process to move ahead without changing the appraisal's scope so that it includes schools.

Joining Pyatok in support of Buena Vista residents, Amado Padilla, a professor of education at Stanford University, also addressed the council on May 11. Padilla, a former member of the local school board, said he and several Stanford students are surveying the approximately 85 Buena Vista residents aged 12 to 24. In general, he said, the youth reported a "positive relationship with teachers" and "a high level of stress at a prospect of having to attend schools at another community." They consider schools to be their "home away from home," he said.

"Breaking the bonds with the teachers and friends they have in schools is weighing heavily on them," Padilla said.

Padilla also joined Stanford professors Donald Barr and David Gursky in cosigning a letter highlighting research that considers the correlation between edu-

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#### Joyeux Noël: May 14

A moving film that dramatizes "the pity of war" (Wilfred Owen's words), brings together a multinational cast speaking in their three native languages (French, German, and English). For a brief moment on Christmas Eve, several thousand soldiers in Flanders realized that "without an enemy, there can be no war." Linda Paulson, Associate Dean and Director of the Master of Liberal Arts Program, will introduce the film and moderate a conversation afterward.

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### **News Digest**

#### Palo Alto woman scares off intruder

A burglar who posed as a construction worker and tried to enter a guest house in Midtown Palo Alto on Monday, May 18, left emptyhanded after a woman who was sleeping in the house woke up and scared him away, police said.

Palo Alto police received a call at about 9:30 a.m. from a woman reporting that a prowler had entered the backyard of a home on the 3200 block of Maddux Drive about 45 minutes earlier, police said. Officers responded but could not find the man.

Police said the woman was sleeping inside the guest house, which is located in the backyard, when a man opened the unlocked sliding glass door to the residence and poked his head inside. When the woman asked who was there, the man said he was a concrete worker looking for employment. The woman yelled, and the man left, police said.

Investigators said the man gained entry to the backyard through an unlocked side-yard gate. He is described as a clean-shaven Pacific Islander male, approximately 55 to 65 years old, with medium-length gray hair.

Police are encouraging residents to promptly report suspicious activity by calling 911 and to always close and lock doors, windows and side-yard gates.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the police department's dispatch center at 650-329-2413. Anonymous tips can be emailed to paloalto@tipnow.org or sent by text or voice mail to 650-383-8984. ■

- Palo Alto Weekly staff

#### **Murder conviction in DUI case**

A woman who was driving drunk when her car struck and killed a Menlo Park couple in 2013 was convicted of murder on May 21, according to San Mateo County District Attorney Steve Wagstaffe.

Marjorie Reitzell, 55, of Menlo Park was convicted by a jury of two counts of second-degree murder, two counts of gross vehicular manslaughter, and drunken-driving charges. The jury returned the verdict after deliberating little more than a day, according to Wagstaffe.

With enhancements for a high blood-alcohol level as well as a prior DUI conviction from 2012, Reitzell faces a potential sentence of 36 years to life in prison, Wagstaffe said.

Reitzell had been drinking heavily throughout the day and had been in a non-injury collision earlier that day, according to the prosecution. She had stopped at a liquor store before the fatal crash occurred around 7 p.m. on Oct. 24, 2013.

Her Honda veered off Chilco Street, striking Balbir Singh, 50, and Kamal Kaur Singh, 45, from behind. She then drove over the median, hitting another car that carried four teenagers, before slam-

The Singhs had been walking their dog alongside the road. They died at the scene and left behind three teenage children.

Reitzell's blood alcohol level was measured at 0.23, nearly three times the legal limit, Wagstaffe said.

Reitzell is scheduled for sentencing on June 26. ■

— Sandy Brundage

#### Stanford fraternity loses housing indefinitely

Stanford University's Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity has lost its house indefinitely after a university investigation found that its members engaged in acts of intimidation and retaliation, including deterring a female student from reporting a potential Title IX concern involving the fraternity.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE), whose housing privileges were suspended earlier this year following a sexual harassment investigation, will now be an unhoused fraternity, the university announced Wednesday.

An investigation conducted this spring uncovered two incidents of intimidation and retaliation that occurred within the fraternity in recent months, both relating to concerns about federal gender-equity law Title IX, the university said. One incident involved intimidation and retaliatory conduct, including acts of cyberbullying directed at another student based on a false belief that the student had reported Title IX concerns about SAE, according to the university.

The investigation also found that SAE members held social events at the Campus Drive house with non-members and had alcohol in common areas of the house on several occasions in recent months. This violated sanctions the university handed down this spring following a previous investigation that found the fraternity had created a hostile environment for female students at a May 2014 event, in violation of Title IX and university policy.

For the rest of the current school year, SAE is prohibited from having any alcohol in the current house or surrounding property, having non-member guests in the house and sponsoring any social events. The fraternity can appeal the university's sanctions to Provost John Etchemendy. ■

- Elena Kadvany

**EDUCATION** 

# With maker's spaces, Ravenswood district invests in students' futures

Ravenswood partners with Facebook to open seven on-campus tech hubs

by Elena Kadvany

here you or I might see a room full of cute elementary school students absorbed in coding projects, or using wooden blocks to design a structure in which a toy ball can roll through, a local school district and tech company see something much more: a path to higher education, to jobs, to economic growth and to access.

"For us, it's the access, the digital divide," said Ravenswood City School District Superintendent Gloria Hernandez-Goff, standing in a classroom at Brentwood Elementary School in East Palo Alto that was transformed this year into a decked-out maker's space. "Our students are primarily Latino, African American and Pacific Islander. They don't have a lot of technology at home.

"If they're going to be part of this new technology boom that's out there, the jobs of the future, the thinking that leads to higher education — this is the only place that they'll get it," she said.

Brentwood's new maker's space, which opened this fall, is just the first of many in the Ravenswood school district. Through a partnership with neighboring social-media company Facebook, the district is opening a total of seven maker's spaces at its

elementary and middle schools in East Palo Alto and Menlo Park.

With 90 laptops (donated by Facebook), three 3-D printers, one laser cutter, one sewing machine, a host of robots and a belief in the power of technology to transform young lives, the school district and Facebook are investing together in the future of Ravenswood students, the majority of whom are students of color from low-income families.

Ravenswood's first maker's space opened at Los Robles Dual Immersion Magnet Academy in East Palo Alto last January and has since garnered the district two STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) innovation awards. The pilot project was spearheaded by Robert Pronovost, Ravenswood's STEM coordinator and a longtime advocate of integrating technology into the classroom.

Brentwood, Ronald McNair Middle School, Cesar Chavez Elementary School and Belle Haven School in Menlo Park followed suit this year. Each maker's space is outfitted with laptops and furniture donated by Facebook, and all other bells and whistles have been secured through grants and outside support, including a \$7,500

grant this year from the Palo Alto Weekly Holiday Fund.

They're stocked with state-ofthe-art technology as well as simple materials like cardboard, duct tape and lanyards. On shelves at the Brentwood maker's space sit books like "Invent to Learn: Making, Tinkering, and Engineering in the Classroom" and "A Kid's Guide to Awesome Duct Tape Projects."

Since joining the district as a teacher at Belle Haven in 2007, Pronovost has worked to bring more technology to Ravenswood students, 67 percent of whom are English language learners. His first classroom was stocked with only three aging Mac computers. He soon made sure there was a class set of MacBooks, several iPads, iPod touches, an eBeam interactive whiteboard, a Mac Mini, a projector, an Apple TV and numerous other small electronic devices such as speakers and a Bamboo tablet.

The maker's spaces, dubbed the Ravenswood Makerspace Collaborative, are an extension of those efforts. The initiative will provide at least 700 students per year with the opportunity to be immersed in design thinking, programming, robotics and "tools to allow students to make in whatever way suits them," Pronovost said.



Juan Salazar, associate manager of State Political Outreach at Facebook, watches as students from Brentwood Academy in East Palo Alto use iPads to control Dash robots in the school's new maker's space.

Students can come in at lunch and recess, and teachers are also learning how to incorporate the technology into their classroom lessons.

Down the line, this will hopefully translate into long-term benefits like a college education, job security and economic growth in a city surrounded by enormous wealth, say staff with the school district, City of East Palo Alto and Facebook.

"Being in Silicon Valley, we know that that's where the jobs are. To give kids and the residents of East Palo Alto an opportunity to compete for those jobs — you have to start really small sometimes," said East Palo Alto Mayor Lisa Yarbrough-Gauthier as she gestured toward a trio of boys sitting on the floor in the Brent-

wood classroom, building with wooden blocks.

"I want to see them grow in STEM and go to college and be able to start their own companies, perhaps, within the Valley," she added. "We're looking at the community and fighting growth and gentrification, but this is the economic development that we need so our residents can compete."

Ravenswood has also partnered with the Stanford University Graduate School of Education to study the impact of the maker's spaces on students' academic growth. The university's Transformative Learning Technolo-

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#### **Missing pilot**

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boats an area between 100 (square miles) and a couple of thousand square miles," Colclough said.

To search a massive area would deplete Coast Guard resources and personnel, he said.

Since McAdams' mysterious disappearance, a complex picture has emerged of the handsome pilot with a winning smile, whom family members described as successful and an outstanding brother and son. He was arrested on two felonies and a misdemeanor related to dating violence at an Orlando, Florida, resort just two weeks prior to his disappearance, according to Orange County Superior Court records in Florida.

According to the arrest affidavit, McAdams and a woman checked into the B Resort and Spa in Disney World in Orlando on the night of April 23. The woman told police that McAdams had recently lost his job and he was planning to move to Florida at the end of April. They got into an argument the next morning at 5:50 a.m. and he allegedly battered her when she attempted to leave. Police arrived after guests and a security guard reported hearing a woman scream for help.

McAdams was arrested after Orange County Sheriff's deputies investigated the incident, and he was taken into custody on April 24 at 7:22 a.m. He faces one count each of felony second-degree aggravated battery with a weapon (dating violence) and felony false imprisonment and misdemeanor battery (dating violence), according to court records.

A sheriff's arrest affidavit alleged the weapon was a knife. Mc-Adams was released on a \$16,000 bond on April 27. The court has granted a restraining order against him contacting the woman, who reportedly lives in California. He is to be formally arraigned on the charges on June 2 and planned to enter a written plea of not guilty, according to court records.

McAdams' family said the accusations against him are out of character, and they are devastated by the reports.

McAdams' mother, Stephanie McAdams, said her son was the most loving son a mother could have, and she asked for the media to not blow the allegations about him out of proportion.

She described the family as private, regular, Midwestern and working-class.

"My son is the best, most awesome son in the world. He's the guy who calls and asks, 'Mom, how are you doing?" she said. "I'm just praying. I don't know what happened. I'm just begging the media not to print a bunch of garbage. It isn't OK for my son to be bashed. He's obviously having a hard time with stuff."

McAdams is a Milwaukee, Wisconsin, native who lived mainly in Tampa, Florida, for many years before moving back to Wisconsin. He attended Delta Airlines flight school in Florida and previously worked as a flight instructor at Epic Flight Academy in New Smyrna Beach, according to his company website. He received his Federal Aviation Administration commercial pilot certification in 2011 and was certified to operate single- and multi-engine aircraft and had instrument certification, according to the FAA Airmen Certification Database. He gained flight-instructor certification in March 2014.

He began working as a flight and instrument-training instructor at Advantage Aviation in Palo Alto in 2012. He also ran his own business, Fly High Bay Area, an aviation supplies and flight-training company, out of the airport.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the FAA, and U.S. and Mexican coast guards have been apprised of the search for McAdams, with Palo Alto police taking the lead. McAdams' attorney did



William James McAdams, a flight instructor, in an undated photo.

not return a request for comment.

Stephanie McAdams has not heard from her son, she said this week. While it is unknown if McAdams is safe on land or lost at sea, the Coast Guard has issued a notification to all vessels and mariners to be on the lookout for the aircraft or for any person or

persons associated with the plane, Colclough said.

Anyone with information about McAdams or the plane is asked to call the Palo Alto Police Department at 650-329-2413. ■

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744-748 San Antonio Road [15PLN-00107]: Request by Rashik Patel on behalf of M10 Dev, LLC for Preliminary Architectural Review of a concept for two new hotel buildings containing 301 rooms within 160,301 sf of floor area, with surface and underground parking, hotel amenities and other minor site improvements that would replace two commercial structures on two parcels which would be merged. Zone District: Service Commercial (CS). Environmental Assessment: Preliminary reviews are exempt from the provision of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**341 S. California Avenue [15PLN-00110]:** Request by Halle Hagenau on behalf of Cal Partners, LLC for Architectural Review of three new signs advertising Le Bou Wood-Fired Bistro, including a sign exception request to allow one sign above the canopy over the public right of way. Zone District: Community Commercial CC(2)(R)(P). Environmental Assessment: Exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per CEQA Guidelines Section 15311.

#### Amy French Chief Planning Official

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#### **Upfront**



New chain stores could be banned from opening on California Avenue, if the Palo Alto City Council passes an ordinance to protect "mom-and-pop" retail establishments. Existing chain shops, like Subway, could stay.

**BUSINESS** 

# City cautious on California Avenue chain-store ban

Palo Alto wrestles with implications, potential unintended consequences

by Gennady Sheyner

he goal sounds simple: Preserve California Avenue's quirky character and protect the street's mom-and-pop shops from rising rents and an influx of office development.

The solution, however, is anything but. That became apparent Monday night, when the City Council's conversation about limiting chain stores in Palo Alto's "second downtown" evolved into a broad-ranging, hours-long and, at times, tense debate.

In the end, the council cobbled together a motion that filled an entire page and featured more than a dozen bullet points, underwent a dizzying sequence of amendments and culminated in a fresh batch of research assignments for the city's planning staff and the Planning and Transportation Commission.

When all was said and done, the council voted 8-0, with Councilwoman Liz Kniss not participating, to direct the commission to study a broad range of issues relating to preserving retail on California Avenue. These issues include new limitations on chain stores or "formula retail" (a term that has yet to be defined); restrictions on restaurants, nail salons and other shops or services deemed too plentiful; a review of parking requirements for restaurants; and a potential expansion beyond California Avenue of the requirement that retail occupy ground-floor spaces - to sections of Cambridge Avenue and Park Boulevard.

The council's action was consistent with its overarching mission to preserve and promote local retail. Over the past month, the council approved two emergency

ordinances, one that banned conversions of ground-floor retail to office space in all parts of town and another that instituted a cap on office development at University Avenue, California Avenue and El Camino Real.

Monday's action was more like a series of tiny, surgical strikes than a broad directive, however, No one on the council disputed the notion that the rising rents on California Avenue, the influx of office development around the business district and the recent shuttering of several independent shops, including Bargain Box, Cho's Dim Sum and Avenue Florist, are threatening the street's independent, artsy, neighborhood-serving vibe. Everyone also agreed that the last thing they'd want to see is the arrival of chain stores that would make the street more homogenous and less diverse.

But do you regulate chain stores? Therein lies the puzzle.

While such limits are common throughout the region, there is no shared recipe. Different cities define formula retail in different ways and, without its own definition, Palo Alto currently has more questions on the topic than answers. Should Benjamin Moore Paints be considered a chain store, for example, because it has three locations in the vicinity? Would California Avenue be better without its Starbucks, The Counter or FedEx?

"We don't know what the formula is to keep Cal Avenue weird," Councilman Eric Filseth said during Monday night's discussion. "Do we really need zero tolerance on chain stores? I'm not sure."

Mayor Karen Holman led off the deliberations by proposing a motion featuring 16 bullet points. Her colleagues then proceeded to add more items, delete others and reword several more so as to better incorporate the council members' own priorities for California Avenue.

Councilman Greg Scharff stressed the urgent need to expand the business district's retail zone by requiring ground-floor retail on Cambridge, where a large office development on the 300 block is in the early stages of the approval process.

Councilman Tom DuBois argued that a stretch of El Camino Real, between Page Mill Road and Stanford Avenue, should also be included in the retail district. The council agreed to include these issues among those to be studied by the planning commission.

DuBois also called for the elimination of an existing rule that allows developers to demolish buildings and replace them with larger ones but devote only a portion of the new building's groundfloor area to retail.

"If you're redeveloping and you're making a building larger, we want all of it to be retail on the ground floor," said DuBois, whose proposals won the support of all his colleagues.

Holman proposed including in the list of items to be studied a prohibition on having opaque windows on buildings within the ground-floor retail area. The council went along after agreeing, upon a suggestion from Vice Mayor Greg Schmid, to make allowances for medical offices.

Holman faced some resistance, however, when she proposed requiring new developments to "respect the historical pattern, where

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#### **Budget**

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costs of pension and health care obligations, including an unfunded liability of \$295.6 million in the city's pension plan and a \$143.6 million liability for retiree health care. Given these costs, Keene acknowledged that the decision to hire new positions isn't easy. Yet he also noted that staff is struggling to keep up with the council's work assignments.

"For the most part, what we focused on are funding items that are based on responsiveness, in many respects the hyper-responsiveness, that is the expectation of our community," Keene said on May 5. "We need to acknowledge that the demand side curve is, in my view, escalating faster than our positive revenues are."

Even so, the committee — which consists of Vice Mayor Greg Schmid, Councilwoman Liz Kniss and Councilmen Eric Filseth and Greg Scharff — has balked at several requests for new positions, with Filseth and Scharff taking a particularly skeptical role.

Aside from approving nearly five new full-time library positions, the committee has been placing staffing requests in a "parking lot" — a list of items that the committee plans to scrutinize further in the coming weeks before making a decision.

One such position is a recreation

superintendent in the Community Services Department who would help administer the city's recreation programs and serve as "the lead for citywide special-events coordination." Keene said the position was prompted by the growing demands and staffing challenges in the department. The new hire, Keene argued, would help the busy department manage the workload during a time when Director Rob de Geus is more involved in Project Safety Net, the community initiative to promote youth well-being, and the planned reconfiguration of the city's golf course.

De Geus also noted that the supervisor can assist with community outreach and help the city raise revenues for its array of recreation programs.

"I think it's a good investment because it's a leadership position that can then leverage nonprofit partners and the community to do even more, as opposed to funding specific service delivery," de Geus said.

The committee, however, balked at approving this request. While both Schmid and Kniss supported it, Filseth and Scharff opted to "park" it.

"Our instinct is that community services is one of the things we want to spend money on in Palo Alto, but there's only so much (funding)," Filseth said. "There's quite a bit of paranoia on this side of the table about increasing expenses in the near future, particularly around pension liability expenses.

"I don't know that expenses growing as fast or faster than revenues is a sustainable model for the long term," he added.

Scharff agreed and, while acknowledging that he will ultimately support the position, requested more information about what exactly the superintendent would do. That item, like all the others in the "parking lot" will now resurface at the end of the committee's budget-review process.

Planning Director Hillary Gitelman faced similar scrutiny when she proposed hiring a code-enforcement officer, raising the total number of such officers to three. The new employee would lead the three-person team and would "organize work, assign out duties and make sure the program as a whole is well-managed and proceeding appropriately," Gitelman told the committee on May 7, when her department's budget was reviewed.

"You can only do so much with two people," she said. "We're behind and having difficulty responding to complaints on a regular basis, and we could do more with more resources."

Scharff and his colleagues acknowledged that with the huge number of planning initiatives currently in the works, additional staffing to the Department of Planning and Community Environment makes sense. But Scharff said he was "shocked" by the request to add a code-enforcement officer.

"I mean, really?" Scharff asked.

"A code-enforcement person when you have all this planning work that we're piling on you that you say you can't do?"

Kniss argued that adding the position makes sense, given the high number of community complaints about long-lingering construction projects and other code violations.

"I don't know exactly how to define code enforcement, but I do know it's probably the thing I hear the most complaints about," Kniss said.

Filseth, however, supported Scharff's proposal to "park" the request. Filseth also proposed taking the same approach to Gitelman's request to add a "traffic operations lead" who would specialize in traffic signals. The traffic planner would be responsible for "adjusting programming and timing of signal lights, utilizing data generated by the system for analysis and decision-making.' The position would also be involved in "general transportation engineering issues, increasing the department's capacity for responding to citizen complaints and suggestions," according to the budget.

Though Filseth didn't dispute that an expert in traffic signals would be a welcome addition to the department, he advocated for hiring someone with those skills to fill one of the department's existing vacancies. The city currently has five unfilled planning positions.

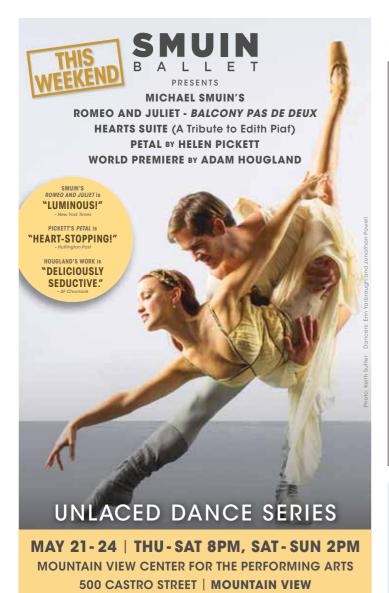
Other committee members, however, said that with traffic and parking near the top of the city's priority list, the position makes perfect sense and tentatively approved it. It also gave the green light to Gitelman's request for a new leader to implement parking and trafficdemand initiatives, including the recently launched Transportation Management Association and the new Residential Parking Permit Program downtown. That part-time parking position was deemed too important to "park" and was approved with no dissent.

However, the committee also decided to place in the parking lot a proposal by the Fire Department, the Police Department and Office of Emergency Services for a senior technologist who would focus exclusively on public-safety technology. Also in the lot is a request by the city's nascent Office of Sustainability for \$190,000 for "sustainability consultants" who would help implement the city's green initiatives and identify outside funding for these endeavors.

The Finance Committee is scheduled to wrap up its budget review on May 26, at which point it will issue a recommendation to the full council about the 2016 budget. The council is scheduled to adopt the budget on June 15. ■

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#### AGENDA-SPECIAL MEETING-COUNCIL CHAMBERS May 26, 2015 5:00 PM

Adoption of Findings and Final Decision in the Matter of the Appeal by the Buena Vista Mobilehome Park Residents Association of the Hearing Officer's Decision Approving the Application for Closure of the Buena Vista Mobilehome Park and Establishing Mitigation Measures and Additional Conditions of Approval

#### AGENDA-SPECIAL MEETING-COUNCIL CHAMBERS May 27, 2015 6:00 PM

#### Study Session

- Joint Study Session with the Palo Alto Youth Council
- Joint Study Session with the Public Art Commission Special Orders of the Day
- Appointment of Candidates to the Human Relations Commission **Action**
- Finance Committee Recommendation that Council: (1) Add a 25-Year Contract Term Option in Addition to the Palo Alto Clean Local Energy Accessible Now (CLEAN) Program's Existing 20-Year Contract Term Option; (2) Continue the CLEAN Program for Solar Resources at a Contract Price Reduced from 16.5¢/kWh to the Avoided Cost of the Solar Energy Generated (10.3 ¢/kWh to 10.4 ¢/kWh) with a Program Cap of 3 Megawatts; and (3) Expand the CLEAN Program's Eligibility to Non-Solar Renewable Energy Resources with a Program Cap of 3 Megawatts at a Contract Price Equal to the Avoided Cost of the Non-Solar Energy Generated (9.3 c/kWh to 9.4 c/kWh)

#### STANDING COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee Special Meeting will be on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 12:00 PM and will discuss: Budget Wrap-Up.

#### **Online This Week**

throughout the week. For longer versions, go to www.PaloAlto

#### Surf Air plans to expand local flights

Local residents and officials who had been trying to meet with Surf Air CEO Jeff Potter since the company announced a major expansion in its flights in and out of the San Carlos Airport finally got that meeting last week, but the news was not good. (Posted May 21, 10:28 a.m.)

#### Palo Alto to participate in Bike to Shop Day

If you ride on two wheels and like to shop, Saturday is going to be your day. The Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition, in celebration of national bike month, is supporting Palo Alto businesses through Bike to Shop Day on Saturday, May 23. (Posted May 21, 6:11 a.m.)

#### Competency screening of older doctors roils Stanford faculty

A policy requiring doctors 75 and older to undergo special screening in order to keep their privileges at Stanford University's two hospitals was criticized in a vote by faculty leaders Thursday. (Posted May 15, 9:52 a.m.)

# A round-up of Palo Alto government action this week

City Council (May 18)
Retail: The council directed the Planning and Transportation Commission to further investigate a range of issues relating to limiting formula retail and preserving retail on California Avenue and surrounding streets. Yes: Berman, Burt, DuBois, Filseth, Holman, Scharff, Schmid, Wolbach Abstaining: Kniss

**Architectural Review Board (May 21) 1450 Page Mill Road:** Request by Jim Inglis, Stanford University, for the demo lition of two existing buildings on site, totaling 59,539 square feet and construction of a new two-story 74,400-square-foot office building. **Yes:** Unanimous **203 Forest Ave.:** A request by Ken Hayes Architects on behalf of 203 Forest Avenue LLC to construct a new 4,999-square-foot residential addition to an existing 4,626-square-foot commercial building in the Downtown Commercial zoning district was continued to an uncertain date. **Yes:** Unanimous **130 Lytton Ave.:** The board discussed a request by FGY Architects on behalf of Tarlton Properties for proposed facade changes to an existing four-story building. Action: None



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#### Buena

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cational attainment and poverty levels. The professors said they had interviewed all the Buena Vista families with children 18 and younger and looked at numerous studies that examined the topic. Their survey indicated that there have been no high school dropouts in the largely Hispanic community of Buena Vista, even as the dropout rate among Hispanic students in Silicon Valley was 29.3 percent in 2011.

They also pointed to a study conducted by Raj Chetty and Lawrence Katz of Harvard University that considered the impact of moving from an impoverished community to a wealthy one when it comes to college attendance. The study concluded that the outcomes of children who move into better neighborhoods "improve linearly in proportion to the time they spend growing up in the area.'

Because Buena Vista families would likely have to relocate to more impoverished communities than Palo Alto, the Stanford professors wrote that they would expect "the likelihood of college attendance to decrease with every vear the families live in lower-income communities as compared to having remained in Palo Alto."

Barr, Grusky and Padilla also point to a study by Chetty, Na-thaniel Hendren and Katz focusing on the relationship between the environment in which a child grows up and income earned as an adult. The research showed that the association between the two factors is strongest for children who moved before the age of 13. Children in poor families who moved to wealthier neighborhoods when they were younger than 13 saw an increase in lifetime earnings of \$302,000, according to the paper.

While the data in the study refer to children who moved from a high-poverty neighborhood to a low-poverty neighborhood, it is reasonable to assume that lowincome children who move from a ... neighborhood such as Palo Alto to a high-poverty neighborhood will experience an analogous decrease in lifetime earnings of a similar magnitude," the paper from the Stanford professors states. ■

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#### Maker's space

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gies Lab (also called FabLab) will be tracking Ravenswood middle school students' academic achievement and interest in STEM and school in general through surveys, Pronovost said. They also hope to follow these students into high school to see if maker's spaces might have an impact on performance and things like their enrollment in Advanced Placement (AP) courses.

Atelaite Vea, a Brentwood fifth-grader who spent an hour Monday bent over a Facebook-donated Macbook, has been learning how to code since last year. She likes playing around with programming software Scratch in the maker's space just as much as building with LEGOs. And she's one of about 20 to 25 students who like the maker's space so much they show up before school starts as part of a coding club run

by a fifth-grade teacher.

"Kids will come to school because this is here," Hernandez-Goff said.

When asked what he likes most about the maker's space, fourthgrader Roberto Zepeta responded, "You can build anything."

Facebook's Director of Community Engagement Susan Gonzales said: "Over time, we hope that this encourages these students to stay in school, go to college and pursue an education in technology. Who knows — maybe the founder of the next Facebook is right (here), from the Ravenswood school district."

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Atelaite Vea, 11, apprehensively covers her face as she and classmate Mark Pacheco, 11, play a scary game created on Scratch, a coding software for students, in Brentwood Academy's new maker space.





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#### Public Agenda

A preview of Palo Alto government meetings next week

**COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE ...** The committee plans to review the proposed budget for Palo Alto Animal Services, consider the General Fund's capital budget and hold a wrap-up session on outstanding budget items. The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 250 Hamilton Ave.

**CITY COUNCIL ...** The council is scheduled to make a final decision on the appeal by the Buena Vista Residents Association of the hearing officer's decision approving the closure application for the Buena Vista Mobile Home Park. The meeting will begin at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 250 Hamilton Ave.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION ...** The school board will hold a public hearing to ratify its tentative agreements with the Palo Alto Educators Association and California School Employees Association; take action on a proposed new bell schedule for Gunn High School and certify the Measure A election results; discuss the Minority Achievement and Talent Development committee's final report and the new Palo Alto High School athletic center. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, in district headquarters, 25 Churchill Ave.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION** ... The commission plans to approve a memo to the City Council supporting funding for implementation of the Foothills Park Fire Master Plan; consider a recommendation to council to adopt a park-improvement ordinance for Byxbee Park; and discuss the Parks, Trails, Open Space and Recreation Facilities Master Plan. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, in the Community Meeting Room at City Hall, 250 Hamilton Ave.

**CITY COUNCIL ...** The council plans to hold a study session with the Palo Alto Youth Council, followed by a joint meeting with the Public Art Commission. The council will also appoint candidates to the Human Relations Commission. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 27, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 250 Hamilton Ave.

**HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD ...** The board plans to discuss 262 Kingsley Ave., a request by Carl Hesse on behalf of Michael and Eiko Mies for proposed demolition of a two-car garage and rear portions of a two-story home and construction of a one-car garage and an addition of 2,909 square feet to a home in the Professorville historic district. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 28, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 250 Hamilton Ave.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SUMMIT ...** The City Council and the Planning and Transportation Commission are holding a summit focusing on the update of the city's Comprehensive Plan. The summit will begin at 8:55 a.m. on Saturday, May 30, in the El Palo Alto Room at the Mitchell Park Community Center, 3700 Middlefield Road.

#### NOTICE OF BUDGET ADOPTION PUBLIC HEARING 2015-16

#### LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN & BUDGET

As required by Education Codes 42103, 42127, and 52062, the governing board of Palo Alto Unified School District will hold a public hearing to solicit public comment on the 2015-16 Local Control and Accountability Plan and proposed budget of the District, prior to final adoption.

The public hearing will be held on June 9, 2015, at 6:30 PM.

The public hearing will be held at: Location: Palo Alto Unified School District Address: 25 Churchill Avenue Palo Alto, CA 94306

The Local Control and Accountability Plan and budget can be inspected by the public beginning on June 4, 2015, during the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:45 PM at:

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#### Chain

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it exists, of narrow store fronts" that support smaller, independent businesses. That proposal died after Scharff argued that this would effectively bar "modern storefronts."

"What you want to have is a vibrant retail environment, and the way the storefront is designed is for the market at the time," Scharff said.

Ultimately, the storefront idea fizzled, with only Councilmen Pat Burt and DuBois voting with Holman.

The council's discussion underscored the complexity of limiting chain stores, a task that different cities have approached in different ways. Calistoga, for instance, simply bans "formula restaurants," which by the city's definition are required to offer "standardized menus, ingredients, food preparation, decor, uniforms, architecture or similar standardized features." Los Gatos is less stringent, though it requires a chain store to obtain a conditionaluse permit before it opens its doors.

San Francisco also requires permits for a formula-retail operation, which by the city's definition shares common features such as a "standardized array of merchandise, trademark, architecture and decor" with at least 11 other establishments in the United States.

In Palo Alto, staff is proposing to model the local ordinance loosely after San Francisco's. Rather than simply banning chain stores or imposing a limit, staff has suggested requiring them to obtain conditional-use permits and creating a process by which people can appeal the approval of these permits.

Several residents and merchants attended Monday's meeting to voice support for the restriction on chain stores.

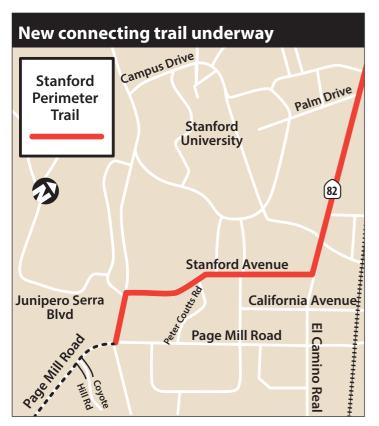
"We've all seen the market forces at work, transforming downtowns ... into homogenous collections of chain stores," said resident Cedric de la Beaujardiere. "Whether you're in a quaint little town in France, or on the East Coast or in California — (there's) The Gap, McDonald's, a couple of Starbucks. That's what the market would do, just unfettered."

Holman shared those sentiments and while her colleagues urged caution, she made a case for action.

"The market moves much faster than governments can, and we've seen that time and time again," Holman said. "The 'zone-for-what-you-want' motto really does apply in this case. We want to get ahead of what potential impacts can be facing us in the future. We don't want to allow it to happen and then have to react to it, because often times, it's too late."



What city policies would you favor, if any, when it comes to regulating chain stores on California Avenue? Share your opinion on Town Square, the community discussion forum at PaloAltoOnline.com/square.



The 3.4 mile-long Stanford Perimeter Trail will run along Junipero Serra Boulevard, Stanford Avenue and El Camino Real, with connections to Stanford Stadium, Town & Country Village, Palo Alto Medical Foundation, Stanford Shopping Center and the transit hub at University Avenue.



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ration, in which cars are parked parallel along Stanford, with an unusual alignment in which cars would have to back into angled spaces on Stanford Avenue between Junipero Serra Boulevard and Raimundo Way. Cars would still be able to parallel park on the north  $side\ of\ the\ street, \ \overset{-}{east}\ of\ Raimundo.$ 

Because the new backed-in angle parking would result in a loss of 15 spaces on Stanford Avenue (where the number of spaces would drop from 60 to 45), the university is creating a parking area with 33 spots on Coyote Hill Road, about half a mile from the Dish entrance. The new parking area is expected to serve visitors to both the Dish and the recently created Matadero Creek Trail.

Critics of this plan contended last year that increasing the distance between the parking spaces and the Dish would discourage people from going to the preserve, which attracts an estimated 600,000 visitors a year. Supporters have countered that the segment of Stanford Avenue near the Dish is already too congested and chaotic and that the redesign will make road conditions safer for students at the nearby Nixon Elementary School.

While the new configuration on Stanford Avenue will reduce the number of parking spots for cars, it will add a new bike corral capable of accommodating 50 parked bicycles near the intersection of Stanford Avenue and Junipero Serra. Stanford Avenue, which serves as the most direct route between El Camino Real and the Dish, will also be furnished with green bike lanes on both sides and traffic bumps to reduce car speeds. More information about the Stanford Perimeter Trail project is available at perimetertrail.stanford.edu.









#### **Graphic Designer**

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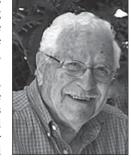
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#### Jordi Bruguera

November 10, 1923-April 26, 2015

Jordi Bruguera loved the outdoors hiking, backpacking and tending to his garden. An avid chess player, he also loved paella, his family and native Catalonia. He died at his Aptos home, after suffering a stroke, at the age of 91.

Jordi was born in Barcelona, Spain, one of four children. During his teenage years, Spain was plunged into the chaos of the Spanish Civil War and then World War II. As a young man he worked for the OSS, the U.S. intelligence agency, and



oversaw operatives countering Nazi efforts in southern France. After World War II, he fled to Paris, where he attended the Sorbonne.

With congressional aid in recognition of his service during the war, Jordi secured a visa in 1950 to emigrate to the U.S. with his

They settled in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the home of Jordi's OSS mentor, William Larimer Mellon Jr. In the U.S. Jordi was also known as Jorge. He earned a degree in librarianship, while working two jobs to support his family of three boys. The Bruguera family later moved to the Peninsula, where Jordi worked as a librarian first for Stanford University -- helping establish the first computer science library there -- and then for Foothill College. He enjoyed helping students, and especially appreciated the friendliness of Foothill students.

Jordi lived in Mountain View, Palo Alto and Los Altos. He married Alice Godfrey in 1985 and moved to Aptos. In between landscaping his property and boarding horses, he found time to travel and volunteer with Alice, offering medical aid and building houses in Latin America and the Caribbean, including at a hospital in Haiti founded by Mellon.

He is survived by his wife; sons, Larry (Sharon Noguchi) of Palo Alto, Mark of Belmont and Paul (Soussan) of Rancho Palos Verdes; Carolyn Bruguera and six grandchildren.

Private services are set.

Donations may be made to IF, 160 Sunflower Lane, Watsonville

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#### Alpha W. Crews

July 10, 1923 - March 10, 2015

Alpha W. Crews died of natural causes in her home in Palo Alto, CA, on March 10, 2015. Born to Charles Alphon Whillock and Edith C. (Hamm) Whillock on July 10, 1923, in Medford, OR, Alpha Belle Whillock was the youngest of three children. Her brother, Charles Whillock, and her sister, Edith Lee Federici, are



both deceased. In June, 1945, Alpha married Robert Wayne Crews, and in 1947, she graduated with a degree in business administration. In 1949, they moved to Los Alamos, NM, and in 1952, they moved to Palo Alto, CA, where they lived for the rest of their lives.

Alpha was an incredibly loving and supportive mother, grand-mother, and friend to all. Happiest when she was with people, her first and last thoughts were always about others: she was entirely selfless. Alpha always saw the good in everyone and imagined the best they could be. Alpha is survived by her children, Joel, Robin, Alden, and Christy; and by her grandchildren, Wyland and Chandler Crews, and Alexis and Christopher Crews-Holloway. She is, and will be, dearly loved and missed by everyone.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2 pm, June 6, 2015, at the First Congregational Church of Palo Alto, 1985 Louis Road, Palo Alto, CA 94303.

Donations in her name may be made to the church's Peace and Justice Committee.

#### A weekly compendium of vital statistics

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#### Beverly James

March 6, 1938 - April 28, 2015

Beverly James was a graphic designer who dedicated her life to art and artists. She served as trustee of the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco for nearly 20 years, and as trustee of the San Francisco Art Institute, serving a term as chairman of the board. She earned an A.B. in fine arts at San Francisco State University in



Beverly was born in San Francisco in 1938 and grew up in

Redwood City, where she went to Sequoia High School. She was the fifth generation of a Peninsula family which settled in California in the 1850s. In fact, her mother graduated from Palo Alto High School in 1932. Beverly was a longtime resident of both Palo Alto and San Francisco.

For most of her adult life, Beverly remained active in the arts as a freelance professional. After college, she trained as a graphic designer at the Museum School of the Fine Arts Museum of Boston, and at the Academy of Art College in San Francisco. She produced designs for family, friends, clubs, schools and local organizations. She was never happier than when working in the art studio at her house in Palo Alto. She decorated her home with her own paintings and those of the West Coast figurative school, which she greatly admired.

In person, Beverly always seemed to understand the reasons why the world is ordered as it is, and what could be done to make it more beautiful.

After her children had left for college in the 1980s, Beverly increased her personal involvement in supporting other artists and art institutions. She was elected to the board of trustees of the San Francisco Art Institute in 1985. Over many years there, she served as board secretary, vice chair and chairman of the board. She was also chair of both the Development Committee and the Committee on Trustees, and became a trustee emerita in 2010. In 2012, the Art Institute recognized Beverly with a Special Award for her extraordinary service to the institution.

In addition, since 1996 Beverly served as a trustee of the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco. She was commissioner of the San Francisco Film and Video Arts Commission in 1995 and 1996, and board member of ArtTable from 1998 to 2000.

Beverly was known for her strong personality. She continued to surprise those around her with savvy comments right up until the stroke that left her virtually unable to speak two weeks before her passing.

She died at her home in Palo Alto on April 28. Beverly is survived by her husband of 52 years, George James; three brothers; four sons; and ten grandchildren.

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elder abuse/physical

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# Transitions

Births, marriages and deaths

#### **Alvin Alexandre**

Alvin A. Alexandre, a Palo Alto resident and longtime Peninsula journalism teacher, died on April 28 at a care facility in Mountain View. He was 91.

He was born on April 30,

1923, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to Misu and Tessie Abramovitz. He later followed the example of his father in changing his



surname to Alexandre. His family later moved to New York City, where he studied and graduated from the Bronx High School of Science.

At the start of World War II, he entered the U.S. Army and served in the South Pacific. Afterward, making the most of the GI Bill, he attended New York University, graduating with a bachelor's degree in biology in 1947 and a master's degree in education in 1949.

After college, he traveled to the Pacific Northwest with a friend, ultimately remaining there to teach at a middle school in Vancouver, Washington, and at Grant High School in Portland, Oregon, where he was adviser to The Grantonian student newspaper. While in Portland he met his future wife, Stella Viesse, at a concert, and they married on Aug. 20, 1950.

He joined the faculty of the College of San Mateo in the early '60s, where he taught journalism and English and advised student publications. His efforts helped to rejuvenate the strug-

gling journalism program, which produced many career journalists and public relations professionals, according to his family. He also inspired students and his daughters to pursue careers in education.

His 27 years at the college ended with his retirement in 1988. About five years ago, he and Stella moved to the Moldaw Residences in Palo Alto to be near family.

He is survived by his wife, Stella Alexandre of Palo Alto; his three daughters, Teri (Jeff) Mills of Tualatin, Oregon, Janice (Steven) Blasberg of San Jose and Leslie Alexandre of Augusta, Georgia; and four grandchildren, Ryan Mills, Scott Mills, Amy Blasberg and Lisa Blasberg.

A memorial service was held on April 30 in Los Gatos and was followed by a private burial.

The family is establishing a scholarship in his honor for a high school graduate pursuing a career in journalism. Checks should be made to "Grant High School — In Honor of Alvin Alexandre" and sent to Grant High School (Attn: Kristin Barsotti), 2245 NE 36th Ave., Portland, OR 97212.

#### **Memorial service**

Nancy Cuddeback, a longtime Palo Alto resident, died on April 22. She was 87.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 23, at 11 a.m. at Wesley Methodist Church, 470 Cambridge Ave., Palo Alto.

#### **MILESTONE**

#### Samuel Shapiro's 100th Birthday

On May 12, Samuel Shapiro celebrated his 100th birthday (May 11) with fellow members of Sheila Dunec's memoir-writing class at Avenidas in downtown Palo Alto.

Shapiro — who currently resides at Brookdale, a retirement home in Redwood City — has lived in the area for six years and participated in the Avenidas memoir-writing course for three. Last year, he celebrated his 99th birthday with the class, promising the other students he'd be there the next year when he turned 100.

Last week, with his two daughters beside him and microphone

in hand, he fulfilled his promise and shared his life story: his birth in 1915, childhood, marriage, college studies in Illinois, military service (including five years of active duty and achieving the rank of lieutenant colonel) and four distinct careers.

Today Shapiro makes the most of his time with family and plans to continue writing and sharing his memoirs at Avenidas. This coming weekend, there will be a birthday party organized by his daughters, Marti Jacobs of San Mateo and Sandy Korzenny of Palo Alto. The family expects almost 100 people to attend.

#### PALO ALTO POLITICAL ACTIVIST DIES



DENNIS "GALEN" JOSEPH MITRZYK, MBA 1955 – 2014

A year ago, on May 27, Dennis "galen" Joseph Mitrzyk calmly and unexpectedly passed away. He was just 59 years old, born April 29, 1955, a short and eventful life. In retirement, Dennis adopted the Welsh name "galen" for pride of ancestry.

#### Philosopher

As with so many young Catholics of his generation, Dennis chose his own spiritual path, which he based on various ancient philosophies. He questioned, "Are you a human being having a spiritual experience?"

#### Philanthropist

A young Dennis set a life-plan to complete his education, migrate to the San Francisco Bay Area, and retire early to pursue his love of music, and a role in social activism leading to Dennis becoming a steadfast advocate for the rights and interests of the average man.

#### Businessman

A Michigan native and high school valedictorian, Dennis earned his bachelor's degrees in Physics and Mathematics and master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Michigan. In 1980, upon graduation, Dennis was recruited by the venerable Hewlett-Packard Company (HP), Palo Alto. Dennis worked primarily in the areas of marketing, sales development, and account development.

#### Palo Alto Political Activist

In 1999, after two decades of service to HP, Dennis joined the ranks of a few dedicated Palo Alto activists. In 2005, Dennis, civil rights attorney Aram James, and City Council candidate Danielle Martell, entered Palo Alto history. The trio launched a successful two-year-long public demand for the replacement of three top Palo Alto City Government officials – the Police Chief, City Manager, and Assistant City Manager – for racism, and other misconduct.

#### Entertainer

His community activities included creating and hosting The Next Step, a long-running series of edgy public cable-broadcasts with an open forum. Dennis was musically gifted, proficient with many instruments, and recognized around local social circles for his performances in a small Palo Alto band that was formed with two old friends, both Silicon Valley retired engineers. Dennis liked people, and enjoyed providing a variety of entertainment at home. An intellectual, Dennis was passionate, witty, and charismatic.

#### **Social Activist**

Promoter of social harmony, in 2004, Dennis was a Write-in Congressional Candidate for California, and founder of a progressive populist political party, Peoples' Action Network (PANParty.org). Slogans include, "The PAN PartY is politics with a higher Consciousness", and "Freedom, Peace, and Prosperity through Truth, Justice, and Accord". Because he sought government transparency and accountability, Dennis participated in New York City's Twin Towers on-site annual 9-11 Truth rally.

#### World Traveler

After a life of extensive travel, in 2010, Dennis trekked to Ecuador to experience the secluded Shangri-La community of Vilcabamba. He had designed and was building a second home for himself. His hair grew long and his skin tanned, accenting his beautiful blue eyes. Dennis returned semiregularly to Palo Alto to manage his estate and stay current.

#### Son, Brother, Friend

Dennis "galen" Joseph Mitrzyk is survived by his devoted mother Edith, a loving sister and three brothers, of Bay City, Michigan, and close friend Daniel Kottke of Palo Alto. Private services and memorials were held in California, Michigan, and Ecuador. Dennis is dearly missed.



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# Beyond the 5150

When a teen is in a mental health crisis, what's working — and what isn't

Story by Elena Kadvany

arah Gentile was shocked to find, in the midst of a crisis with her teenage son, that there are no hospital beds available in Santa Clara County for adolescents who need inpatient psychiatric care.

They were in the emergency room at El Camino Hospital in Mountain View just before the start of the school year. Earlier, her son's psychiatrist had called to tell her that her son, who has lived with depression since he was 8 years old, had a suicide plan and needed to be hospitalized for a medication change. He was placed under what is referred to as a "5150," a 72-hour involuntary

psychiatric hold for individuals believed to be a danger either to themselves or to others.

At the ER, a psychiatrist told Gentile that they needed to start the hours-long process of transferring her son to an available inpatient bed at another hospital.

"I said, 'What do you mean? He can't stay here?"" Gentile recalled. "They said, 'No, we don't have an adolescent facility here.""

Her next, immediate thought: Let's take him to Stanford Hospital. But the Stanford School of Medicine's Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, which boasts comprehensive outpatient psychiatric clinics for patients of all ages, also offers no inpatient care for adolescents.

Other patients and families who live in Palo Alto or surrounding cities have reported being similarly surprised to learn that a teenager in psychiatric crisis who is taken to a local emergency room will be transported away from renowned medical centers like Stanford or El Camino for hospitalization.

The closest hospital with adolescent inpatient beds is Mills-Peninsula Health Services in San Mateo, where Gentile's son stayed for 10 days. Beyond that, in the Bay Area, there is St. Mary's Medical Center in San Francisco, Fremont Hospital in Fremont and Alta Bates Medical Center in Berkeley. There are 648 total beds in California available for child and adolescent inpatient psychiatric care, compared to 5,522 for adults.

The lack of inpatient adolescent psychiatric services is likely shocking to a community like Palo Alto that is not only reeling from several teen deaths by suicide this year but is also home to acclaimed medical facilities like Stanford Hospital and Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford.

As of last week, 19 students at Paly and 31 at Gunn had been hospitalized for psychiatric episodes this school year, with more students on both schools' at-risk "watch lists," according to the schools' principals. Inpatient psychiatric services for adolescents, a sub-section of the medical system that has been shaped by typically low demand compared to other populations, is suddenly at odds with these numbers in Palo Alto.

Teenagers who are sent away from Palo Alto for more serious inpatient treatment are impacted not only during their hospitalization but also in the most critical time afterward. Some mental health professionals say the physical distance creates a disjointed system of care that can put the onus for follow-up support on families, schools or community-based organizations that may not be prepared or equipped to treat the youth.

#### The 5150

hen individuals are placed under a 5150 hold — which can only be done by police officers, designated professionals who provide psychiatric crisis-intervention services or other mental health workers authorized by their county — they are taken to the closest emergency room.

For Palo Alto teenagers, that is typically the Stanford Health Care Emergency Department, where they are evaluated by an emergen-

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cy medical team and then by the child and adolescent psychiatry team when a consultation is requested. The attending physician and fellow, both specialists in emergency medicine, collaborate with psychiatry staff determine whether hospitalization is required for that patient,

explained Samantha Dorman, media relations manager for Stanford Children's Health and Lucile Packard.

If hospitalization isn't necessary, the team creates discharge and follow-up plans. If hospitalization is needed, a transfer team locates the nearest available bed in a psychiatric unit in the Bay Area. This often takes several hours; Sarah Gentile's son waited for six hours before his transfer and Manon Piernot, a current Gunn High School junior who was hospitalized twice this year after seeking emergency psychiatric care at Stanford, five hours.

Both Manon and Gentile's son were transferred to Mills-Peninsula in San Mateo, which has 17 beds available for adolescent psychiatric patients.

Gentile said she was not allowed to drive her son to San Mateo while he was under the 5150 hold — this is a typical policy to

protect both the patient's safety and the hospital's liability — so her family footed the \$3,000 ambulance bill.

Another current Palo Alto student who wishes to remain anonymous described her transfer from Stanford to St. Mary's in San Francisco as traumatic — "an experience that harmed more than it helped me."

"I have never experienced anything more dehumanizing than being strapped onto a stretcher and driven for 45 minutes in an ambulance up to the city, surrounded

by two bored EMTs who obviously thought there were much better things to be doing with their time," the student said. "I didn't blame them. I felt terribly guilty taking up room in the hospital I was originally put in in Palo Alto, and the feeling only worsened when it became apparent that

finding room for 'another 5150' made me into more of an annoyance to the medical community than anything else."

Gentile said she felt a similar stigma attached to the process.

"You feel like you're being sent away, and your child is being sent away," she said. "If you really want to reduce the stigma (around mental health), you need to have the county you're living in at least support that level of service."

Getting to San Mateo for twice-daily required visits was also stressful and time consuming for her family, Gentile said. Inpatient units typically offer limited windows of time for visiting. Mills' visiting hours are noon to 1 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. on weekdays and noon to 2 p.m. and 6:30 to 8 p.m. on weekends.

Like Gentile, Manon and her parents were surprised to find out

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"Untitled" by Manon Piernot, a student at Gunn High School, is a ceramic bust depicting a "fake" face in the front along with several faces in the back that represent Piernot's emotions during a recent psychological crisis. The artwork was on display at the recent Youth Speaks Out exhibit at the Palo Alto Art Center.



Daniel Becker is director of mental health services at Mills-Peninsula Health Services, which is the closest facility to Palo Alto that provides inpatient mental health care for adolescents.

#### **Beyond the 5150**

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she could not access inpatient services at Stanford when she first went to the emergency department in December. But she has a different take on the transfer: She actually found the distance from her familiar, stressful world in Palo Alto incredibly helpful.

"I just wanted to go somewhere that wasn't Gunn," she said.

She also developed close friendships with other teens who were at Mills during her second hospital stay; they're still in touch.

For Manon, hospitalization — anywhere — made a life-saving difference.

"If I hadn't gone to the hospital I don't think I'd be here today," Manon said.

Roni Gillenson, program director for the nonprofit Adolescent Counseling Services (ACS), which has counselors at Palo Alto schools, said it does make a difference where a teen is hospitalized, as the hospital is responsible for connecting a patient with resources and follow-up support in the local community.

Gillenson offered the example of a former Gunn student about whom counselors were concerned but who was reluctant to seek care. When the student finally went in to talk to ACS — "clearly in need of a 5150" hold, Gillenson said — it was just one week after she had turned 18. As a legal adult, she was hospitalized at Stanford.

"If it was a week earlier, it wouldn't have been that smooth," Gillenson said. "(It made) a huge difference because all the resources are here. The community is here. It's not like they had to have her wait and find a bed and ship her off somewhere.

"That's where it gets really dis-

jointed because after they're in the hospital, ideally, what the hospital is supposed to do is connect them with local resources. Well, if they're in Fremont or in San Francisco, even in San Mateo, it makes it a little more difficult to make sure that that continuity of care gets done."

Maria Daehler, a child and adolescent psychiatrist with a private practice in Palo Alto, said faraway hospitalization is also challenging when medical treatments for mental illness take weeks to have an impact.

"We don't have immediate treatment that works within a day or two in order to stabilize these kids," she said.

Facilities don't always provide the length of stay that a patient needs, Daehler said, and the distance can make it harder for families to be as involved in their son's or daughter's treatment. A page in Mills' "Adolescent Inpatient Program Orientation Handbook" stresses that parental participation in "therapeutic structured visits, family meetings, and psycho-ed-



Maria Daehler is a Palo Alto child and adolescent psychiatrist.

ucation" is critical.

Gillenson said there is often inconsistent communication between Palo Alto schools and the hospitals, and students can receive insufficient discharge plans. If a teen mentions that school offers mental health services on campus, the hospital staff might write that into the follow-up plan without talking to someone at the school to make sure that's the best route, Gillenson said.

"What ends up happening is because there isn't that transition program that the kids automatically then get filtered into, oftentimes the kids come back to school because the hospital knows that there is some sort of mental health counseling on campus," Gillenson said. "We're there from 8 (a.m.) to 3:30 (p.m). We're not there on weekends. It's not an ideal referral."

Daniel Becker, longtime director of adolescent mental health at Mills-Peninsula Health Services, said his hospital does connect with patients' schools when they and their parents agree to it but that there is a need to develop a better system for the two bodies to communicate. He also noted that with the long waiting lists to get in to see mental health providers in the community, school personnel might seem like a more accessible support.

"How do we put together an optimal mental health care system? That's something that's a work in progress," he said.

Gentile said a behavioral therapist from her son's high school was in contact with Mills and even talked with her son on the phone while he was in the hospital. Manon said Gunn staff members were aware of her hospitalization. Her psychiatrist had contacted the school beforehand and her father spoke with Gunn

administrators while she was there, who informed her teachers. Manon said the communication helped.

However, schools can be in the dark about a student's hospitalization if the parents opt not to tell the school. Gillenson said there is still a significant stigma attached to mental illness, which means parents might treat their children's return to school differently than following other illnesses.

"We argue, as mental health professionals — if your child had pneumonia or a broken wrist, there would be a doctor's note ... and when they come back from a psychiatric hospitalization it's just not treated the same way."

If the school is aware of a student's hospitalization, a "re-entry" meeting is set up upon his or her return with the parents, the school psychologist, Adolescent Counseling Services, a guidance counselor, administrators and a school nurse. They help the student decide what to tell peers and teachers about where they've been, work with teachers on which assignments can be excused to avoid added stress, talk about positive coping skills and identify people on campus to whom the student can reach out. Someone on the team also checks in daily with the student and makes sure he or she is connected with an outside mental health provider to continue

Manon said her transition back to Gunn was smooth. Her teachers were extremely supportive and understanding when she returned to school, though she had to complete a significant amount of makeup work. (After her first hospitalization, she came back during finals week.) What was more challenging, she said, was figuring out what to tell some of her classmates about her absence. She said she told most of her close friends, but it was difficult when it came to others with whom she isn't as close.

# Intensive programs aid recovery

hat does seem to be working within the local system is what comes after hospitalization: intensive outpatient programs that allow teens to return to school and their lives while still receiving significant and frequent psychiatric support services.

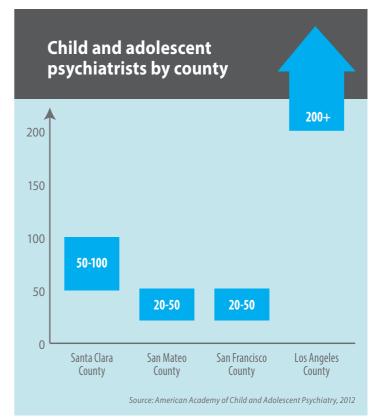
Following her second two-week hospitalization at Mills in late January, Manon entered the hospital's intensive outpatient program. For three to four hours after school every day, she participated in individual, group and family therapy and stress-management education. She said she actually was hospitalized this second time with the express purpose of getting into the outpatient program, which she hadn't been told about during her first hospitalization and which gives priority to patients coming straight from the hospital.

Manon stayed in the outpatient program for eight weeks, with the number of treatment days per week gradually tapering off. She called the program "amazing" and credited it with helping her to lessen the stress-inducing value she had placed on things like grades and college admissions.

"Going there and seeing people that were feeling the same thing that I was — that was extremely helpful," she said. "For once I wasn't talking to my friends about grades at school or their stress or my stress about school. We were actually talking about things that mattered, like our lives."

The value of — and demand for — intensive outpatient programs is high in the Palo Alto area. St. Mary's in San Francisco runs an outpatient educational and therapeutic program but only for stu-

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#### Why so few hospital beds for teens?

Hospitals weigh competing needs for scarce resources

by Elena Kadvany

he absence of adolescent inpatient psychiatric beds in Santa Clara County — described by one Palo Alto child and adolescent psychiatrist as a "hospitalization crisis" — is actually the norm rather than the exception in California.

The number of counties without inpatient beds available for adolescents far outnumbers those who have them, meaning that more often than not, youth in crisis are transferred to hospitals miles away from home. Forty-seven counties, or 81 percent of the state, have no adolescents beds. Eleven counties do, according to the California Hospitals Association (CHA).

The state has for the past several years experienced a dramatic decline in all inpatient psychiatric services, with more than a 30 percent loss in the number of beds available statewide since 1995, according to the CHA.

"It's a tragedy in our medical system," said Maria Daehler, a child, adolescent and adult psychiatrist with a private practice in Palo Alto. "Unfortunately, over the last decade, we have really seen the severe dwindling of all inpatient services for all children."

The lack of beds means longer distances traveled to get emergency inpatient care, which for some teens can compound the trauma of hospitalization. For their families, it means stressful, time-consuming commutes to make the daily visits required during hospitalization.

Adolescent inpatient psychiatric units in the Bay Area run as large as 34 beds (Alta Bates Summit Medical Center in Berkeley) and as small as 17 at Mills-Peninsula Hospital in San Mateo, the closest adolescent inpatient unit to Palo Alto.

Several forces, mostly financial, have disincentivized hospitals throughout the state from maintaining or opening specialty inpatient units for adolescent psychiatric patients, mental health professionals say.

"Hospital beds are relatively scarce and valuable commodity so all hospitals — I'm not just talking about psychiatric (units), but hospitals in general — have to consider carefully, what does a community need?" said Daniel Becker, a child/adolescent psychiatrist and director of adolescent mental health services at Mills-Peninsula. "In the end, we have a commitment to the community to figure out ... what's the best use of our resources to serve the community?"

For most communities, the greatest mental health need is within the adult population

rather than for children or adolescents. According to Michael Fitzgerald, director of behavioral services for El Camino Hospital in Mountain View, which has a 25-bed inpatient unit for adults, "Every single day in Santa Clara County there are adults waiting for beds that don't exist."

So the specialized resources and staffing required for an adolescent inpatient unit — or any specialty services, like a transplant or eating-disorders treatment unit — must be weighed against other needs in the community where the demand is greater, Becker and other hospital officials said.

The demand for inpatient psychiatric care for teens is also less constant than for adults, fluctuating with the school year. On average, Mills' 17-bed inpatient unit runs at about 50 percent capacity, Becker said, but can be completely empty or full at different points throughout the year. Mills often closes its unit during the summer but does not repurpose empty adolescent beds, not being able to predict when they might next be needed, Becker said.

"If you're a hospital and you're trying to develop a business model, it's very hard to have a program that functions six to seven months a year and stops during the summer months," said Antonio Hardan, professor and chief of the Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry at Stanford Children's Health. "A hospital, in order to survive, has to be a little bit creative to be able to maintain the program year round."

"It's not a financial investment," Daehler said of an inpatient psychiatric unit for adolescents. "No place is going to do it if they're hoping to break even."

A glance at where local hospitals are making their investments illustrates this. A new \$2 billion, 824,000-square-foot Stanford Hospital facility set to open in 2018 will house more than 350 new beds, but none so far have been designated for inpatient adolescent psychiatric care, a hospital spokeswoman said.

A few miles south at El Camino Hospital in Mountain View, a new \$52 million behavioral health facility, also set to open in 2018, will have a total of 36 beds, including nine set aside for a specialty unit to treat women with conditions like postpartum depression and psychological trauma. Fitzgerald said the hospital is still considering whether or not a sub-section of beds could be given over to adolescent psychiatric care.

"There's an expectation: Why

would we not have this right here?" Fitzgerald said. "We're sensitive to that. We have to balance that with all the mental health needs. It's a tough message for us to give."

The shortage of beds runs parallel to what the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP) calls a "workforce crisis" in child and adolescent psychiatry. A 2013 AACAP study found that there are still too few child and adolescent psychiatrists to treat the number of children in the United States. Mental illness impacts 20 percent of American youth; half of all cases of mental illness begin by age 14 and three-quarters by age 24, according to AACAP.

In 2012, the latest year for which the data are available, there were between 50 and 100 practicing child and adolescent psychiatrists in Santa Clara County. (Comparatively, there were between 20 and 50 in San Mateo and San Francisco counties, more than 200 in Los Angeles County and zero in more than 10 other counties.)

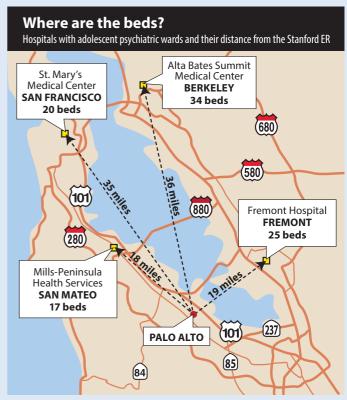
Going into child and adolescent psychiatry requires extra years of training (which can mean more student debt) for a field that is notoriously underfunded and offers low pay. Insurance carriers also determine private practice rates based on all mental health professionals who serve children, so a marriage and family counselor with a required two years of training might charge the same rates as Daehler, who has 10 years of postgraduate training, she said. The shortage can lead to teens seeing professionals who might not have extensive training with more serious mental illnesses with adolescents who are actively suicidal, for example.

Throughout this year, many Palo Alto families have reported long wait times and difficulty getting in to see quality mental health professionals close to home. It took Manon Piernot, a junior at Gunn High School, a month to find a psychiatrist who was close to home, covered by her family's insurance and didn't have an impossibly long wait list. She said many psychiatrists in Palo Alto were not accepting new patients. She ended up seeing one in Burlingame who did not have a wait list.

This process can also be complicated by the need to find a psychiatrist with whom the patient feels truly comfortable.

Mental health professionals themselves say the local network is unequipped to meet the current high demand.

"In spite of having a number of



There are no adolescent psychiatric wards in Santa Clara County.

therapists in the community, we don't have an organized mental health system that is designed to fit the need that we have," Stanford child and adolescent psychiatrist Shashank Joshi told the Weekly in April. "We are doing this right now more by default than by design."

Adolescent Counseling Services, the Palo Alto nonprofit that provides on-site counseling for Palo Alto and Gunn high schools, saw 100 more students at least once from August through November of this school year than the same time period last year, according to ACS On-Campus Program Director Roni Gillenson. And in March, with a sense of urgency following the fourth teen death by suicide just weeks before, the school board approved \$250,000 in district funds to hire two full-time licensed mental health therapists, one for each high school, as soon as possible.

During what Stanford child and adolescent psychiatrist Victor Carrion calls an "upsurge" at the Stanford Health Care Emergency Department — a spike in visits following a suicide in the community — adolescent visits typically double from one every other day to one per day. One of every three to four emergency psychiatric evaluations results in the need for hospitalization, Carrion said.

In the two weeks following one of this school year's suicides, Stanford clinicians added to their regular workloads 31 extra appointment slots for urgent cases, said Antonio Hardan, director of the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. These appointments were dedicated to urgent evaluations for adolescents experiencing acute symptoms.

In the past year, Stanford has brought on nine new clinicians in its child- and adolescent-psychiatry outpatient clinic to meet the growing need, Hardan said. There will be four more added within the next six months.

Yet even a teen with acute symptoms might have to wait up to two weeks to be seen in the clinic, he said. A patient coming into the clinic on a referral from an outside provider would face a longer wait.

Stanford's outpatient adolescent-psychiatry clinic is sought after because it accepts insurance for psychiatric services, which not all do.

"There are many private practice psychiatrists and psychologists in Palo Alto and Menlo Park and surrounding communities, but the private-pay model is limiting for families," Hardan said. "Even if they are being seen by a local doctor, families will often want to try and get into our clinic due to insurance coverage."

Those patients who can't be accommodated at the Stanford clinic are referred to providers in Palo Alto or neighboring communities, Hardan said.

"Can child psychiatrists and psychologists take care of the vast number of children that need mental health (services)?" Carrion asked. "The answer very clearly right now is 'no."



Michael Fitzgerald, executive director of Behavioral Health Services at El Camino Hospital in Mountain View and leader of the hospital's ASPIRE program, looks at the art created by ASPIRE participants on May 6.

#### **Beyond the 5150**

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dents from the San Francisco Unified School District. The primary local option is El Camino's After School Program Interventions and Resiliency Education (ASPIRE) program, which keeps its cohorts small at eight to 10 teens and has a long wait list.

ASPIRE was created in the wake of the suicide cluster in Palo Alto in 2009 and 2010, after a community task force was convened to analyze the issue. Michael Fitzgerald, director of behavioral health services at El Camino, told the Mountain View Voice newspaper in 2013 that the group didn't simply want to hospitalize suicidal teens for a few days and then release them. The task force came to the conclusion that they would have to address the root of the problem.

"It's based around the concept of kids developing skills to manage their symptoms of anxiety and depression and stress that enters their life," Fitzgerald said in an interview with the Weekly.

ASPIRE requires a time commitment of at least four afternoons per week for eight weeks, with individual counseling, dialectal behavior therapy (a specific type of cognitive-behavioral psychotherapy used to treat mental health disorders), "expressive arts" and lessons on mindfulness and stress-management. Parents are also required to come in regularly for therapy and attend a group that teaches how best to support their children.

The program is more educational than, for example, the Mills' outpatient program, and El Camino staff takes pride in that. The hospital even offers academic credit to ASPIRE participants from the Mountain View Los Altos and Fremont Union

high school districts. (El Camino this week received accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, or WASC, which will allow the hospital to also offer credit to Palo Alto students.)

"Our belief is that this is a really good way to tear down stigma," Fitzgerald said of providing academic credit for the program. "It's still a validation of the work that they do and a different way of framing mental health treatment in terms of just, actually, it's an educational process."

But only small numbers of teens in crisis benefit from this popular program. Gentile tried to get her son into ASPIRE but was told it was full with a wait of several months. The family ended up piecing together their own version of an outpatient program: therapy with both a psychiatrist and a psychologist, weekly meetings with a depression/bipolar young adult support group in San Francisco (the closest one for teens they could find), in-home therapy for sensory issues and participation in the therapeutic services offered by his school.

"My son needed support services immediately after leaving the hospital in order to continue recovering," she said. "Fortunately, we were able to find, put together and afford the combination of private services."

El Camino is well-aware of the demand in the community. The hospital is in the process of doubling the size of ASPIRE as well as planning a middle school version and a similar program for young adults (ages 18 to 25) coming out of state custody or foster care, Fitzgerald said. Two Los Altos couples also donated \$1 million each this year to El Camino, one to support ASPIRE and the other the hospital's behavioralhealth services program, including the new facility.

# Avoiding hospitalization through intervention, prevention

acking integrated, intensive outpatient programs like Mills' hospital-based program or El Camino Hospital's ASPIRE, other health care providers are taking different approaches.

In September, EMQ Families First, a statewide nonprofit that serves children and families, opened a small, short-term crisis stabilization unit in Campbell for children and adolescents who are at risk of suicide with the goal of preventing unnecessary hospitalizations. After a patient arrives, a team of nurses, psychiatrists and family specialists work with a timeline of 23 hours and 59 minutes to evaluate and release the patient with a plan for further care.

"At the end of that 23 hours, we have to make some decisions," EMQ Chief Clinical Officer Craig Wolfe said. "In most cases, the decision is the kid can go home with some family support or with our crisis transition team. In the majority of situations, we're able to avoid hospitalization."

The crisis stabilization unit — which only has seven beds — has served more than 700 youth since opening eight months ago, said Wolfe.

EMQ also operates a 24-7 mobile crisis unit in Santa Clara County for children and adolescents experiencing an acute psychological crisis. They perform 5150 assessments, take patients to emergency rooms and link families to agencies that offer longerterm mental health services in the community. The bulk of mobile crisis referrals come directly from

schools' staff (who can't place students under the 5150 hold) and police officers, though individuals can also use the service, Wolfe said.

Stanford offers outpatient evaluation and treatment but no intensive after-school programs for teenagers like at El Camino or Mills. They have instead focused on "meeting kids where they are," with, for example, Stanford child and adolescent psychiatrist Shashank Joshi serving as the Palo Alto school district's mental health consultant, visiting campuses following a suicide and speaking at parent education nights and community panels. Through a partnership with the Tipping Point Community, a San Francisco nonprofit that fights poverty in the Bay Area, Stanford embedded a mental health clinician or "wellness educator" at East Palo Alto Charter School and JobTrain in Menlo Park to serve both students and parents.

Stanford mental health providers are also eying the continuum of care, hoping that better and more innovative prevention, education and outpatient services would decrease the need for emergency psychiatric care.

"The whole model of children coming to clinics is something that may even need to be revisited," Stanford child and adolescent psychiatrist Victor Carrion said.

This year, Carrion spearheaded the launch of a mindfulness curriculum for all 3,400 students in the Ravenswood City School District through a partnership with a southern California-based nonprofit that brings health and wellness education to K-12 schools throughout the country. Palo Alto Medical Foundation also started offering this year a free drop-in yoga class for teens on Tuesday afternoons.

"We have to come up with more things like that," Carrion said.

Carrion currently serves as chair of the state's Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission's evaluation committee, which is in the midst of collecting and analyzing data about outpatient programs throughout the state, he said.

"This is the type of data that we

actually need as we ... concentrate on how can we work on the whole continuum of care rather than just the last point when someone needs to be hospitalized," Carrion said.

In the meantime, families are left to struggle with the emergency and support system. Just as Gentile was shocked to find out that there were no adolescent inpatient psychiatric services available in Santa Clara County, she was surprised at how hard it was to find a local, ongoing teen depression support group that was appropriate for her son. The Palo Alto chapter of the Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance offers a regular drop-in, peer-led support group at the Palo Alto VA Hospital, but Gentile said mostly adults attend.

Palo Alto Medical Foundation has since started a co-ed teen therapy group, which is now on Thursday afternoons and requires a minimum eight-week commitment and costs \$59 per meeting. (Though Gentile's son's pediatrician is at PAMF, Gentile said she was unaware this group existed.) Palo Alto Therapy, a private therapy center in downtown Palo Alto, offers an eight-session "Stress to Wellness" support group for teens who are experiencing anxiety, depression or other mental health issues and have already been exposed to some cognitive behavioral therapy, as well as an eightweek "Tackling Anxiety" therapy class for both teens and adults. Both cost more than \$500 and are capped at seven people.

So Gentile, a member of a special-education community advisory committee that serves the Mountain View Los Altos High, Mountain View Whisman, Los Altos and Palo Alto Unified school districts, helped spark the development of a new adolescent support group that will launch at the Community Health Awareness Council (CHAC) in Mountain View this fall. The group will likely meet on a daily basis year-round (compared to other local support groups that only last for several weeks), with teens coming in on their own for support and their parents also meeting with CHAC staff at the same time, said Executive Director Monique Kane. The students and parents



Adolescents who receive mental health care at the Mills-Peninsula Inpatient Adolescent Department stay overnight in the hospital's rooms.



Dr. Victor Carrion sits outside of the Ravenswood Family Health Center in East Palo Alto, which has a partnership with Stanford Medicine Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, on May 11.

will also sometimes meet together. Kane said. The group will be free for any teens in the area.

CHAC also recently started a quarterly speaker series in which local teenagers talk to adults in the community about topics like anxiety, depression and academic

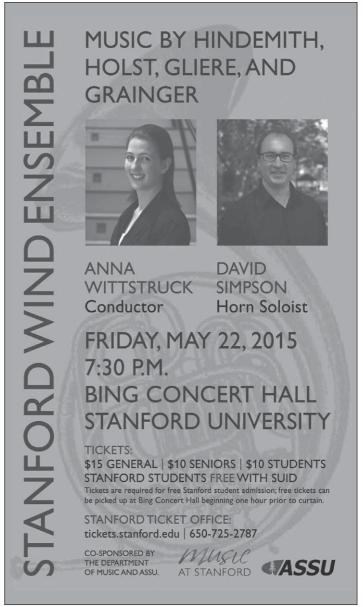
Reflecting on her family's ex-

perience with local care, Gentile compared it to seeking help for her daughter, who suffers from a rare neuromuscular disease.

"It was easier for me to find services for my daughter than it was to find them for my son, and her (illness) is under the extremely rare category," she said. "Depression is common." ■

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- 1. "Ornamental landscapes" refers to landscaping for purely decorative purposes, to be distinguished from edible gardens or landscapes that provide a function beyond aesthetics.
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Organist James Welch has played instruments all over the world, but claims Palo Alto's St. Mark's Episcopal as his practice and teaching studio.

BY KEVIN KIRBY

#### PALO ALTO ORGANIST TO PLAY NORTE-DAME CATHEDRAL

he piano recital at St. Mark's Episcopal Church has just broken up. Children and their parents are still chatting among the pews as James Welch takes a seat at the church's organ console and begins to play. He conjures a parade of familiar themes from memory, ranging from the Baroque period to the Romantic, from Bach to Debussy. Between notes, he tugs at various knobs arranged in rows at either side of the keyboard, pulling out different stops to change the timbre of the instrument: from majestic to eerie to ethereal.

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In no time, Welch is surrounded by half a dozen elementary-school-age piano students, eyes wide and mouths agape at the sounds he's coaxing forth from the ranks of concealed pipes by way of the console's four-tiered keyboard. For these kids, Welch has one simple piece of advice: "Learn to play the organ."

This may sound like odd counsel in 2015, when the world of the pipe organ is, by Welch's admission, "a niche world." In the last half century, many churches have moved away from the use of the organ in their services, opting for styles of music that might appeal to younger worshipers. The number of individuals qualified to maintain and repair these enormous, com-

plex instruments is shrinking, as is the pool of skilled organists.

But that shrinking talent pool is exactly what Welch has in mind when he advises young musicians to take up the organ. "Anyone with skill who wanted a job playing organ could have it," he explained. "There are still so many church organs out there."

Welch himself is the resident organist for four Bay Area churches, including St. Mark's, and he has been called upon, at one time or another, to play nearly every prominent pipe organ in the region. "I'm one of the few people locally who can walk in and play [these instruments]," he said. "My phone rings a lot."

Indeed, the pipe organ has been very, very good to Welch. In addition to providing him a steady teaching position at Santa Clara University since 1993 (and at UC Santa Barbara before that), the organ has taken Welch around the world numerous times. He has played over a thousand concerts (not including church services) in venues ranging from Europe and Asia to South America, the Middle East and the South Pacific. Next month, his niche skill will take him to Paris, France, where he will perform on the great organ at Notre-Dame Cathedral.

This will be a return engagement for Welch, who had the opportunity to play at the famous Paris landmark 35 years ago. "This is the second and probably the last time I will play there," he said before launching into reminiscences of his first Notre-Dame experience.

"The organ console is up in the rear gallery, by the rose window," Welch explained. To reach it, one must climb a circular staircase, its stone steps worn down by centuries of footfalls — generations of Europe's greatest organists climbing day after day to play on generations of magnificent church organs. The current organ, built by Aristide Cavaillé-Coll in 1868, is simply the latest in a string of instruments dating back to the 13th century. "It is not considered by everyone to be the best organ in Paris," Welch

noted, "but it is certainly the most famous. Everyone wants to play there."

For Welch, the sense of history is a big part of the pull: He spoke of "the experience of walking on those stairs" where so many others have walked, and of "knowing I'm taking a few atoms off those stairs myself."

When Welch ascends to the Notre-Dame organ console on June 6, his 45-minute set will include primarily 20th-century works, half by French composers and half by Americans. The French half of the program includes works by Camille Saint-Saëns, the famous Romantic composer who worked as a church organist for more than two decades in the late 1800s; Louis Vierne, Notre-Dame's principal organist from 1900 until his death at the keyboard in 1937; Jean Langlais, with whom Welch once studied in Paris; and Jean Berveiller.

On the American side are works by Richard Purvis, organist at San Francisco's Grace Cathedral from 1948 to 1971; Emma Lou Diemer of UC Santa Barbara, the most published female organ composer in the world; and Dale Wood of Sonoma County; as well as a new composition, "Toccata Parisienne," by Welch's friend Rulon Christiansen.

Before taking his Franco-American pro-

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#### Help along the way

Author Francisco Jiménez to read from his latest memoir

Joshua Alvarez

rancisco Jiménez has always taken hold of what he could.

For most of his youth, the Mexican immigrant and his family followed the crop cycles in central California. Along with his parents and older brother, he performed back-breaking work (literally, for his father) picking crops like cotton, strawberries and carrots, and thinning lettuce. He missed months of school, which was hard for a kid who did not speak English; he learned the language slowly, recording new words in a notebook he carried while he worked.

Those notes marked the beginning of what would become an illustrious career in writing and education. On Thursday, May 28, Jiménez will give a free reading from his latest memoir and hold a discussion at Palo Alto's Rinconada Library.

Jiménez and his family lived in constant fear of deportation, a fear that turned out to be justified: When Jiménez was in the eighth grade, a callous immigration officer detained him in the middle of class, just as he was about to recite the preamble of the Declaration of Independence. Back in Mexico, his family successfully applied for visas and again immigrated to the United States, this time legally. Jiménez was back in class.

He did not waste his second chance. Jiménez thrived in high school, despite discrimination and having to work before and after

What: Author Francisco Jiménez, reading and Q&A session Where: Rinconada Library, 1213 Newell Road, Palo Alto When: Thursday, May 28, 7 p.m. Cost: Free, but seating is limited Info: Go to tinyurl.com/kom2y9x or call 650-329-2436.

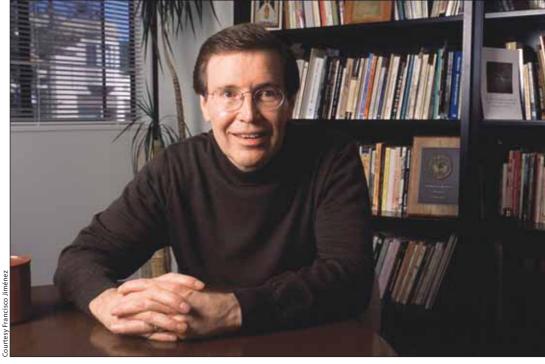
school. He went on to study at Santa Clara University where he again excelled.

Jiménez's life story up until his graduation from Santa Clara is captured in his three best-selling memoirs: "The Circuit," "Breaking Through" and "Reaching Out." His latest memoir, "Taking Hold," describes his time at Columbia University, where he received his M.A. and Ph.D. in Latin American literature, and his return to Santa Clara University. More than 40 years after his arrival, he's still at SCU, where today he is the Fay Boyle Professor in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures.

The synopsis of Jiménez's life seems to follow a Horatio Alger script: The young man immigrates to America, starts in desperate poverty, makes something of himself through sheer determination and and lives happily ever after. It's rags-to-riches stories like these that have stirred the imagination of Americans and would-be Americans since the late 19th century. Like so many mythologies, while based on some truths, it's now represented by calcified cliches like "the selfmade man" who "pulls himself up by his bootstraps."
"Whenever I hear the bootstrap

"Whenever I hear the bootstrap line, I always say, 'Someone had to buy him the boots,'" Jiménez said in a recent interview. "My story is as much about my struggles and efforts as it is about the people who helped me along the way. One thing I do not subscribe to is the over-emphasis on individualism. I could not have made it on my own."

The theme of receiving help recurs throughout his memoirs, including "Taking Hold." Professors, classmates, institutions, relatives and most of all his girl-



Author Francisco Jiménez will read from his latest memoir at Palo Alto's Rinconada Library on May 28.

friend-turned-wife Laura help Jiménez as he struggles to adapt to New York City and complete his studies.

Indeed, education is perhaps the strongest uniting theme in all four of his memoirs. The books are cleanly divided by periods in Jiménez's education: "The Circuit" ends when he gets deported in the eighth grade, "Breaking Through" ends when he graduates from high school, "Reaching Out" ends when he graduates from Santa Clara and "Taking Hold" ends after Jiménez receives his Ph.D. and takes up a teaching position.

"Education was a refuge, and it also helped me to discover my purpose in life: to be a teacher," the author explained. "When I was growing up, there were a lot of negative stereotypes about Mexicans that would constantly appear in conversation and the media. I thought about why that was and decided it was based upon ignorance. So I felt that going into education and teaching my culture would help combat that."

Another notable feature of Jimé-

nez's collection is the use of voice. "The Circuit," his first book, narrates his grade-school years from the perspective of a young boy, while "Breaking Through" takes on the more mature perspective of a teenager, and "taking Hold," that of an older wiser man.

Yet the real power of "Taking Hold" lies in the life stories that precede it. Although readers of the new memoir will get an idea of what Jiménez experienced before he went to Columbia, the power of Jiménez's account is muted without the context of his impoverished childhood and his journey through the American academic system. To read "Taking Hold" without first reading the earlier works is like taking a helicopter to the summit of Mount Everest to learn about the climber's journey. Surely Jiménez has worked hard

enough already; the reader should put in his own.

"That struggle gives meaning to what I do now," Jiménez acknowledged of his early life. "Struggle can be painful and good," he added, recalling the words of Cesar Chavez, with whom he marched as a college student during the Delano Grape Strike of the 1960s.

"Immigrants and their stories feed the American soul. But we need each other to help each other succeed. I wrote my stories because my experiences are not unique. I feel an obligation, having done well, to now help others. The danger is when our society decides to believe in the myth that people can make it on their own."

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## CITY OF PALO ALTO NOTICE OF A DIRECTOR'S HEARING

To be held at **3:00P.M.**, **Thursday June 4**, **2015**, in the Palo Alto City Council Conference Room, 1st Floor, Civic Center, 250 Hamilton Avenue, Palo Alto, California. Go to the Development Center at 285 Hamilton Avenue to review filed documents; contact Alicia Spotwood for information regarding business hours at 650-617-3168.

125-127 Hawthorne Avenue PLN15-00077: Request by Heather Young of FGY Architects, on behalf of Hawthorne Palo Alto LLC, for a Preliminary Parcel Map to allow the construction of a new two story two-family condominium development. Zone: RM-30 zoning district. Environmental Assessment: Exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act per Section 15315.

Hillary E. Gitelman
Director of Planning
and Community Environment

#### Welch

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gram to Paris, though, Welch will be presenting it right here in Palo Alto, in a "Bon Voyage" concert at St. Mark's on Sunday afternoon, where he will flesh out the short Notre-Dame set with works by Bach, Vincent Lübeck and others. (This weekend's Palo Alto concert will also include a performance by Welch's son, Nicholas, who will present piano works by Bach and Chopin.)

Although he's played more organs than he can count — including half a dozen extant instruments known to have been played three centuries ago by Johann Sebastian Bach — Welch has a genuine respect for the St. Mark's organ. "It's the real thing, one of the finest organs anywhere," he said. He considers himself lucky

"to have that as my practice and teaching studio."

Of course, as impressive as it may be with its 63 stops and 4,500 pipes, his home instrument is no match for the great organ at Notre-Dame. That instrument, consisting of five keyboards, 86 stops and 8,000 pipes — some of them incorporated from the cathedral's earlier medieval organs — was designed to match the grand scale of the Gothic cathedral that houses it.

"Sitting under the rose window, looking down, it's like being in a 747 cockpit," Welch said. "And then you play, and it's like letting all the animals out of their cages. It just roars."

With performance slots at Notre-Dame Cathedral scheduled at least two years in advance, Welch has been planning this trip for some time, and he notes that roughly 20 friends and family members have also planned European vacations that will converge on Paris for the evening of his concert. For supporters and pipe organ lovers who can't make the trans-Atlantic trek, Sunday's "Bon Voyage" event will have to do. And with Welch at the console of the St. Mark's pipe organ, it's a good bet that a few musical beasts will come roaring out of their cages in Palo Alto as well.

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What: "Bon Voyage" concert featuring organist James Welch Where: St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 600 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto

When: Sunday, May 24, at 3 p.m. Cost: \$10 donation at the door Info: Go to welchorganist.com or call 650-400-3278.

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#### Music

#### **The Corner Laughers**

"Henrietta Leavitt never got the credit for measuring the stars." So opens "Queen of the Meadow," a song on The Corner Laughers' forthcoming new album, "Matilda Affect." (Lead singer Karla Kane was struck with inspiration one day while home with her newborn daughter listening to a public radio program on the overlooked female astronomer.) Luminous and light in sound but serious in content, "Matilda Affect," due June 12, explores women in history (Leavitt, Cleopatra), motherhood (Kane and bandmate Khoi Huynh's daughter was born during the making of this record), adventure (how to be a "fairytale tourist") and more. The whimsical music video was filmed in and around Palo Alto. Don't miss The Corner Laughers perform live on Stanford's KZSU (90.1 FM) May 27 and June 12, plus a concert at Palo Alto Library's summer-reading kickoff event on May 30 at the Rinconada Library. For more information, go to cornerlaughers.com.



Day

#### Opera

#### 'Faust'

New York's Metropolitan Opera chose this tale of greed for perpetual youth as its opening show in 1883, and it remains one of the classic grand operas. Now, West Bay Opera presents Gounod's "Faust" May 22-31 in a production directed by Mexico's Ragnar Conde and costumes that designer Abra Berman describes as "Karl Lagerfeld naivegrotesque." Tickets are \$40-\$75. Go to westbayopera.org.

#### Theater

#### 'Urinetown'

Due to a devastating drought, public toilets have been eliminated. That's the scarily realistic scenario of the 2001 satirical Broadway musical, "Urinetown." Presented by Los Altos Stage Company May 28-June 27, Urinetown follows the trials of citizens forced to pay to do their business. Will they sit and take it? There's only one way to find out. Tickets are \$18-\$36. Go to losaltosstage.org.

#### Art

#### Italian master drawings

Michelangelo and Modigliani, Tiepolo and Tintoretto: Sketches by many of the masters of Italian art go on display May 22 at the Cantor Arts Center. The exhibition, on loan from the Princeton University Museum of Art, spans the past 500 years and will be on view through Aug. 24. Admission is free. Go to museum.stanford.edu.

#### **Concert**

#### **Aurora Singers**

Sixty voices raised in song and a chance to sing along: That's what you can expect at "Listen to the Music!," the spring concert of the Aurora Singers at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto. Featuring pop, gospel, jazz and Broadway tunes, the May 23 show is a steal at a \$10 donation (children under 6 are free). Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Advance tickets are recommended; email renee.greenstein@gmail.com. To learn more, go to aurorasingers.net.

#### SEE MORE ONLINE PaloAltoOnline.com

Watch videos of The Corner Laughers and the Aurora Singers in the online version of this story at PaloAltoOnline.com.

#### **Theater**

#### 'Angels in America'

Tony Kushner's 1993 Pulitzer Prize-winning play "Angels in America" deals with serious social themes: homosexuality and homophobia, race and politics, religion and death. Next week, Foothill College's theater department opens its production of the provocative seven-hour play, offering a full staging of part one and a companion reading of part two. The shows run May 28-June 14; tickets are \$10-\$20. Go to foothill.edu/theatre. ■

— Elena Kadvany and Elizabeth Schwyzer

Above: The Corner Laughers

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Eating U

t's appropriate that third-wave coffee pioneer Blue Bottle Coffee is serving up its carefully crafted cups of java out of Palo Alto's historic Varsity Theater. The more than 80-year-old building is the perfect setting for a company dedicated to making coffee the old-fashioned one cup at a time.

Blue Bottle's main entrance along University Avenue features an old movie theater marquee sign — a nod to the building's his-- and takes you through a charming and spacious open-air courtyard with fancifully shaped columns and arches, an inviting fountain, zig-zagging overhead string lights and plenty of seating. There is no shortage of laptops, smartphones, tech workers and lattes. (There's free WiFi, of course.)

Varsity Theater, located at 456 University Ave., is listed on Palo Alto's Historic Inventory under Category 1, reserved for buildings deemed to be of "pre-eminent national or state importance." Due to its status, tenants are prevented from making significant modifications that would change the overall appearance or character of the building.

That's not a problem for Blue Bottle, said General Manager Conner Burns.
"We tend to mold with the space that

we're moving into as opposed to other companies," he explained. "Larger brands and chains tend to build out their spaces identically in terms of aesthetics and style, but if you go to this space you see that we wanted to maintain (the history of the building).'

The courtyard leads into the theater's remodeled lobby, where one can order coffee or eye baked goods on display in a pastry case designed to look like a movie theater concession stand. It's "not super functional," Burns said, "but it hails back to what this space used to be."

The space is somewhat dark due to the scarcity of windows, but the inviting ambiance puts one in the mood to spend an hour or two sipping a cup of joe while chatting with friends or catching up on work.

The cafe, Blue Bottle's first on the Peninsula, opened in March as part of Hana-Haus, a tech-centric gathering space created by Palo Alto software company SAP. The cafe features a minimalist menu: drip coffee, tea, espresso drinks and Blue Bottle's famed New Orleans iced coffee (a sweetly satisfying cold-brewed drink made with Clover whole milk, roasted chicory and organic cane sugar). Each cup of coffee, which is offered in only one size and costs between \$4 and \$7, is brewed to order, ensuring that coffee lovers can enjoy their drink at its peak of flavor. It's no drivethrough; individual brewing takes at least three minutes per cup.

"Every drink is different," Burns said. "We don't do batch brewing and so people sometimes get a little confused when they come to a third-wave coffee producer like Blue Bottle or others in the area where every cup is made to order. ... It's a little slow for them, but there's a lot of people who really want to wait that three minutes for a great cup of coffee.

Blue Bottle Coffee serves up specialty coffee in Palo Alto's historic Varsity Theater

by My Nguyen I photos by Magali Gauthier



Top: Blue Bottle Coffee serves espresso drinks, pour-over and siphon coffee and New Orleans iced coffee. Beans are ground fresh for every drink. Above: For breakfast at Blue Bottle, don't miss the Belgian waffle with strawberry compote and maple syrup.

Say you come in wanting a drip coffee. A skilled barista — who goes through an in-depth training process at Blue Bottle's headquarters in Oakland — will grind the coffee beans when you order and then brew them via one of the many brewing methods used at Blue Bottle, including pour-over coffee, which involves pouring hot water in a steady and slow stream over coffee grounds in a paper filter; and siphon coffee, in which baristas use a glass coffee maker that looks like it came from

a chemistry lab to brew a full infusion style of coffee.

Barista Sean White explained that siphon brewing uses a cloth rather than paper filter, meaning more sediment but also more "delicate" coffee.

Blue Bottle's espresso is prepared using a pressurized brewing method, Burns said. (Don't miss the cafe's affogato: espresso poured over San Francisco's famous Humphry Slocombe brown butter ice cream.)

Brewing methods aside, the key to a great cup of coffee lies in the beans. That's why Blue Bottle, which was founded more than 10 years ago in Oakland by freelance musician and coffee lover James Freeman and now has cafes from San Francisco to New York and Tokyo, offers a variety of beans from small coffee co-operatives where beans are produced in a socially and environmentally responsible way, Burns said.

"We won't work with companies that are not like-minded," he said. "Coffee has a troubled history, and we will not play into that. We actually do our best to pull people out of the state they are sometimes in and help the farmers and growers."

 $\bar{\text{In}}$  addition to responsibly sourced beans, the Palo Alto cafe serves breakfast, including Blue Bottle's signature crisp and buttery Belgian waffle, which comes with a lightly sweetened strawberry compote, maple syrup and butter. Needless to say, it goes perfectly with coffee.

A highlight of the cafe's lunch offerings is its simple but elegant ham tartine generous slice of toasted bread covered with mustard, gruyere cheese, a hearty spread of spicy cilantro sauce, thinly sliced ham and pickles. The tartine comes with a simple green side salad.

If you're looking for something lighter, the cafe also offers cookies and pastries, but their baked offerings are soon to change with the company's recent merger with Tartine Bakery & Cafe, a famed San Francisco bakery with a seemingly perpetual line out the door. Blue Bottle will start to serve Tartine's breads, pastries and sweet and savory breakfast treats in the coming months. As far as specific goods to be sold at the Palo Alto location, details are still being sorted

Meanwhile, Burns said the Blue Bottle staff is excited to be in a community like Palo Alto that has so much power over how the world operates. A lot can happen over a cup of coffee, he added.

You never know if the next amazing startup is going to be thought up or put together over a couple of cups of Blue Bottle coffee." ■

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PARKING PROBLEM BREWING IN MIDTOWN ... When Philz Coffee opened in Midtown Palo Alto at 3191 Middlefield Road seven years ago, it was logical to think that the adjoining parking lot of 18 spaces — along with street parking and an additional nearby parking lot with nearly 40 spaces — would be more than adequate. But Palo Altans love their coffee, so much so that customer parking for Philz is creating a problem for the surrounding neighborhood. Particularly concerned are  $\ensuremath{^{-}}$ some residents from a condo complex located directly next to Philz, at 725 to 773 Loma Verde Ave. A large red sign was erected earlier this week. "PRIVATE PROPERTY," it reads. "NO PHILZ PARKING." A Philz customer walking by commented, "It's not a very friendly sign, is it? It's rather bright, and all capital letters — like it's yelling at you." The coffee shop has been in touch with a representative from the condo association about the parking problem. Philz spokesman Robert George said, "We don't have much control over our customers' behavior. People park where they can find a space. We try to encourage street parking or bike riding." Complicating the parking problem is the anticipated July opening of  ${\bf Bill's}~{\bf Cafe},$  which is moving into the former  ${\bf Pommard}~{\bf Delicatessen}$ and Fandango Pizza spot. The new restaurant, which will be open for breakfast and lunch, and will seat 75 to 80 diners, is just steps away from Philz at 3163 Middlefield Road. If the overflowing parking lots of the five existing Bill's Cafes in San Jose are any indication of the restaurant's future success in Palo Alto, the parking problem is likely to continue. "People are already complaining about parking, and it's probably going to get worse once Bill's opens," said Michelle Apango, who works at the counter of AJ's Cleaners, located between Philz and Bill's. But Bill's Cafe owner Nick Taptelis believes that since the Palo Alto restaurant is located in a residential neighborhood, "Mostly, people will be walking to Bill's, not driving," he said. "So I don't really see it as much of a problem.

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# Movies

**OPENINGS** 



"Tomorrowland" cheerily presents a future in which science and innovation are humanity's greatest hope.

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... in the frantic 'Tomorrowland'

\*\* 1/2 (Century 16, Century 20)

Where are our flying cars? It's a meme of Baby Boomers, whose ranks include Brad Bird, director of "The Incredibles," "The Iron Giant" and "Mission: Impossible

— Ghost Protocol." In Bird's
new science fantasy, "Tomorrowland," an elaborate fable favoring optimism over cynicism, flying cars are just the tip of the space mountain.

"When I was a kid," muses worn-down inventor Frank Walker (George Clooney), "the future was different." The branded Disneytainment that is "Tomorrowland" cheerily endorses the futurism of Disney Parks, as piloted at the 1964 World's Fair where

young Frank (Thomas Robinson) totes his prototype jet pack in search of approval. There, in the nascent "It's a Small World" ride, Frank discovers a portal into a peaceful, thriving tomorrow'sfuture-today land defined by scientific advancement. Ejected from this greenhouse of Eden, Frank grows into a cranky professor waiting out the seemingly inevitable end of the end times.

Lucky for Frank, there's an inventive young woman kicking around by the name of Casey Newton (big-eyed, gape-mouthed Britt Robertson of "The Longest Ride" and "Under the Dome"). Dedicated to staving off the obsolescence of her NASA engineer father (Tim McGraw), Casey too earns an invitation to Tomorrowland, but getting in and staying in are two decidedly different prospects. So it is that Casey and Frank form an uneasy alliance, abetted by the aptly named, mysterious child Athena (Raffey Cassidy). All of this gets worked out in a cutesy narrative structure that's as clunky as young Frank's

not-quite-there-yet jet pack. Admirably, "Tomorrowland" is a rare beast on the cinematic landscape: an original genre story. In its very existence as much as its particulars, Bird's film (which he co-wrote with "Lost"'s Damon Lindelof with an assist from "Entertainment Weekly" writer and "Lost" superfan Jeff "Doc" Jensen) critiques the darkifying of adventure embodied by films like the recent, dour Superman reboot. At one point, Bird takes up some screen real estate with a billboard for an apocalyptic movie titled "ToxiCosmos 3 (tagline: "Nowhere to go"). Both

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#### Movies

David Nix (Hugh Laurie) despair for the human race and its ability to tackle problems like global

Happily, the kids are still alright, and out of the mouth of young Casey comes the acknowledgment that although "it's hard to have ideas and easy to give up,' hope is all, and there's salvation in science and innovation. That's a great message, but Bird and company fail at making a great movie

recently reviewed in the Weekly:

Though stretched a bit thin across its two-hour canvas, "Pitch Perfect 2" frames a poppy, funny sequel colored with youthful feminism. Three-time defending national collegiate a cappella champions the Barden Bellas seek to perfect their sound and trounce the competition with dazzling vocal displays and production numbers. However, the Bellas face instant international disgrace when a wardrobe malfunction strikes the nether-regions of Fat Amy (Rebel Wilson). Suddenly, the champs are underdogs faced with the seemingly insurmountable challenge of winning the World A Cappella Championship and regaining their reputation and right to operate freely at Barden University. Flying in the face of sexist assumptions the brash, trash-talking Bellas build self-worth and win team victories, and although politically incorrect (if absurdly funny) cultural stereotyping rears its ugly head again, the film also upends gender stereotypes, as with the suggestion that the Green Bay Packers are underground a cappella stars. *Rated PG-13 for innu-*

#### Clouds of Sils Maria ★★★ 1/2

A tale of two actresses and one personal assistant, "Clouds of Sils Maria" subtly dramatizes the existential questions facing show folk in an uncomfortable landscape crowded with superhero movies. Writer-director Olivier Assayas ("Summer Hours," "Carlos") tenderly drops us into the world of middle-aged actress Maria Enders (Juliette Binoche), whose past successes only complicate her present attempts. The film opens on a train taking Maria and her personal assistant Valentine (Kristen Stewart) to a Zurich-based festival to accept a lifetime achievement award on behalf of the playwright-director who launched Maria's career, but a phone call informs the pair that honoree Wilhelm Melchior has died. This pours salt into the already reopened wounds that are Maria's mem ories of her 20-years-earlier triumph (in Melchior's two-woman play, "Maloja Snake") and complicated relationships with her elders (Melchior and her costar, who died in a possibly suicidal car crash). To make matters worse, an insistent film director wears down Maria's defenses until she agrees to star in a revival of "Maloja Snake," but now, distressingly, in the elder role, opposite 19-year-old movie starlet Jo-Ann Ellis (Chloë Grace Moretz). The house-of-mirrors scenario enables the pondering of relative age and looming mortality, while touching on the relative roles of human-scale drama and Marvel action pictures, in which both Enders and Ellis have appeared Through it all, the clouds of Sils Maria slowly snake, a meteorological phenom enon representing the ineffability of life itself. Rated R for language and brief graphic nudity. Two hours, 4 minutes P.C. (Reviewed May 8, 2015)

#### MOVIE REVIEWERS

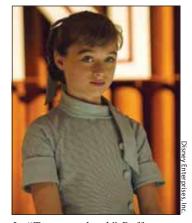
P.C. – Peter Canavese, T.H. – Tyler Hanley, S.T. - Susan Tavernetti

#### ly vacant characters and curiously pulse-less whimsy.

Despite dollops of wonder, a fair amount of special-effects bells and whistles and at least one effective burst of Rube Goldbergian action, this well-intentioned film lumbers, middlebrow and tiresome, when it should be tripping the light fantastic like the vintage-Zemeckian creature it seems to want to be: "Tomorrowland"'s more "Tron" than "Back to the Future.

Rated PG for sequences of scifi action violence and peril, thematic elements, and language. Two hours, 10 minutes.

– Peter Canavese



In "Tomorrowland," Raffey Cassidy plays Athena, a girl who may not be quite what she seems.

#### **MOVIE TIMES**

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 Age of Adaline (PG-13)
 Century 16: 10:40 a.m. & 4:35 p.m., Fri & Sat 1:35 p.m.

 Century 20: 10:30 a.m. & 4:05 p.m., Fri & Sat 1:20 p.m.

 Avengers: Age of Ultron (PG-13) \*\*\*
 Century 16: 9 a.m., 12:15, 3:40, 7:10

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The Awful Truth (1937) (Not Rated)

Stanford Theatre: 7:30 p.m., Sat & Sun 4:20 p.m.

Clouds of Sils Maria (R) \*\*\*1/2 Guild Theatre: 1:15, 4, 7:05 & 9:55 p.m.

**Ex Machina (R) Century 16:** 9:05 & 11:45 a.m., 2:25, 5:05, 7:45 & 10:25 p.m. **Century 20:** 10:40 a.m., 1:25, 4:15, 7:15 & 9:55 p.m.

Far From the Madding Crowd (PG-13) Century 20: 10:35 a.m., 1:30, 4:40, 7:35 & 10:30 p.m. Palo Alto Square: 1:15, 4:15, 7:15 & 10 p.m.

Full Metal Jacket (1987) (R)
Century 16: Sun 2 p.m. Century 20: Sun 2 p.m.

Furious 7 (PG-13) Century 20: Fri & Sun 7:15 & 10:20 p.m.

Home (PG) \*\* Century 16: 9:30 a.m. Century 20: 10:50 a.m., Fri & Sun 1:35 & 4 p.m., Sat 1:15 p.m.

Hot Pursuit (PG-13)
Century 16: 7:20 & 9:40 p.m. Century 20: 8:05 & 10:25 p.m.

Hot Saturday (1932) (Not Rated) Stanford Theatre: 6:05 & 9:15 p.m.

Mad Max: Fury Road (R)

**Century 16:** 11 a.m., noon, 2, 5, 8, 9 & 10:05 p.m. In 3-D at 9 & 10 a.m., 1, 3, 4, 6:10, 7 & 10 p.m., Fri & Sat 12:01 a.m. **Century 20:** 11:05 a.m., 2, 4:55, 7:45 & 10:45 p.m. In 3-D at 10:20 a.m., 12:05, 1:15, 2:55, 4:10, 5:50, 7:05, 8:45 & 10 p.m. In 3-D D-BOX at 10:20 a.m., 1:15, 4:10, 7:05 & 10 p.m.

Monkey Kingdom (G) ★★1/2 Century 20: 10:05 a.m.

Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2 (PG)
Century 20: 12:50, 3:15 & 5:40 p.m., Fri & Sun 10:25 a.m.

Pitch Perfect 2 (PG-13) \*\*1/2 Century 16: 9:10, 10:05 & 11:05 a.m., 12:05, 10.5, 2:15, 3:05, 4:05, 5:05, 5:55, 7:05, 7:55, 8:50, 10:05 & 10:45 p.m., Fri & Sat 12:01 a.m. Century 20: 10:15, 10:50 & 11:40 a.m., 12:30, 1, 1:45, 2:25, 3:15, 3:55, 4:35, 5:10, 6, 6:45, 7:20, 7:55, 8:50, 9:35, 10:10 & 10:50 p.m.

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UFC 187: Johnson vs Cormier Live (Not Rated) Century 20: Sat 7 p.m.

Wild Tales (R) \*\*\*1/2 Palo Alto Square: 1, 4, 7 & 9:55 p.m

**Woman in Gold (PG-13)** \*\***1/2 Century 16:** 11 a.m., 2 & 4:40 p.m. **Century 20:** 10:55 a.m., 1:40 & 4:20 p.m.

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aging Frank and his antagonist climate change and war.

from it, instead conjuring strange-

The following is a sampling of movies

#### Pitch Perfect 2 \*\* 1/2

endo and language. One hour, 55 min-utes. — P.C. (Reviewed May 19, 2015)

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**SUMMER CLASSES ...** Registration for summer quarter (June 8 through July 17) at Palo Alto Adult School begins **Friday, May 22.** Info: 650-329-3752, adultschool@pausd.org or paadultschool.org

#### **GARDENING WITH HERBS ...**

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**SALVIAS RULE ...** Master Gardeners will present a free program, "Winning With Salvias!" from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, May 27**, at the Los Altos Library, 13 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos. The discussion will focus on the most fragrant and floriferous natives, as well as some non-natives — all of which need relatively little water and maintenance. Info: Master Gardeners at 408-282-3105, between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, or mastergardeners.org

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BE PREPARED ... According to Do 1 Thing, an online year-long program that helps people prepare for emergencies, May is the month to focus on work, school and community. Tasks include talking to an employer about emergency plans at work and giving emergency kits to college students or to people who might find it difficult to create one themselves (such as elderly parents). Info: do1thing.org ■

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Judith Content stands in her Palo Alto living room where her hand-dyed, quilted wall hangings are displayed.

# In living COLOR

#### ARTIST JUDITH CONTENT IS INSPIRED BY HER SURROUNDINGS

#### by Carol Blitzer

here is nothing drab about Judith Content's world.

The renowned textile artist works from her Barron Park home — a home she's enveloped in color, from the brightly hued exterior (think purple and tangerine) to her multicolored kitchen.

Her purple shirt and flats fit right in.

Her studio walls are lined with type trays filled with a rainbow of colors — except for one huge white fabric wall, which she uses as a design board for her mainly kimono-shaped wall pieces. Over the past 30 years, many of those pieces have been acquired by private collectors or museums (two hang at San Francisco's de Young Museum).

Just last week, she heard that two of her pieces were purchased through the State of New Mexico's New Mexico Arts: Art in Public Places Initiative, including "Arroyo" for the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque and "Cenote Turquesa" for the Eastern New Mexico University.

While studying art at San Francisco State University, she didn't hit upon textiles until her senior year — but "it was a magical moment," she said. She was exhibiting her original works before age 20.

Content doesn't create her art quilts from purchased fabric. Rather, she begins with



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Content's most recent local work, commissioned by the Palo Alto Medical Foundation for its Sunnyvale campus, was inspired by Pinnacles National Park in spring.

black silk cloth from Thailand.

"It has a very papery quality, crisp," she said. She cuts the fabric into panels and then uses a hot iron and a plant mister to fold and plait the cloth into a bundle, wrapped around a pole. Next comes bleaching, or discharging, the fabric, working with a product that doesn't harm the silk. The discharge leaches color out of the outer layers of the fabric, leaving variations down to the pole, which remains mostly black.

"There are lots of elements of surprise when you unwrap the pole," she added.

The process is tedious and time-consuming, but she likes to do this outside, reading a novel in one hand while dipping the cloth into the discharge liquid with the other.

To add color to the mix, she pours special Japanese dyes over the wrapped (bleached) bundle

"It's absolutely limitless as to the effects you

get," Content said.

Content will spend two to three weeks just dying a mass of fabric. When dry, she'll throw it on her studio floor, then select panels to pin on her design wall ("looking for dynamic combinations"). That becomes her design jumping-off place.

Eventually, after observing her design on the wall, she'll step away, then return to observe again. "I can spot when something is wrong," she said, noting that she never finishes a piece without solving the problems.

After the dying — "It's very calming to do dying. You trust there'll be magic in there." — comes one to two weeks of composition, another couple weeks of quilting, plus one or two days for finishing.

But quilting isn't all Content does in her studio.

Recently, she participated in the "Color the Creek" project at the Palo Alto Art Center, where she gathered old broken crockery, smashed it further with a hammer and then tumbled it into mulch-sized chips that were spread outside the center as ground cover.

"It's very colorful, soft," she said, ruing its attraction for small children who like to take a piece home.

But, she acknowledges, that's what makes it a continuous work in progress, as she just tumbles some more ceramic chunks.

Content is never "content" to stay idle.

She has created artistic accessories, including a line of button-based jewelry where she spray-paints buttons through a sushi mat, add-

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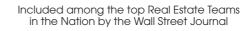
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## **Living color** (continued from page 35)

ing up to 30 layers of auto paint. She also designs silk scarves.

One newer project is gift bags, made from digital photographs printed on textured paper, paired with wallpaper samples acquired from FabMo, a nonprofit that gives away designer materials. She's participated in FabMo's Textile Arts Boutique in October, where at least 30 percent of the items sold had to be made from its materials.

Even the handles are creative: She makes them by twisting colorful cord using the bread attachment on a portable mixer, twisted exactly 81 times. She uses the finished cord both for the gift bags and for stringing





Above: Every wall is a different hue in Judith Content's dining room, where she displays her collection of hand brooms and bottles. Left: A hand-painted pot and watering can add more color to Content's backyard. Right: Succulents are planted in colorful pots in her backyard.

the button jewelry.

Two years ago Content was asked to be a judge for Quilt National '13, where she reviewed thousands of images, and along with two other judges, whittled that down to 80 entrants in the quilt show. She did the first run in one day, beginning at 7:30 a.m. and finishing at 9 p.m. When she started to glaze over, she'd step away from the computer for a brief respite. "Then some amazing image would appear," she said, and she'd be back on track.

Right now she's busily borrowing back quilts from collectors to include in the "Intuitive Symmetry: Works on Silk by Judith Content" show, which will be held at the Texas Quilt Museum in La Grange, Texas, from July through September.

And she's "formulating ideas" for the 15th International Triennial of Tapestry at the Central Museum of Textiles, to be held in Lodz, Poland, next May. Only five American artists are selected every three years for this exhibition, she said.

Most of Content's work is seen far beyond the bounds of Palo Alto, but one can catch a glimpse in the lobby of Channing House. Her most recent commission, inspired by Pinnacles National Park in spring, now hangs in the Sunnyvale campus of Palo Alto Medical Foundation (PAMF). Another (12 feet by 5 feet) hangs on the third floor of PAMF's Mountain View clinic.

Her accessories can be found at gift shops at the Palo Alto Art Center and the San Jose Quilt Mu-

Although Content is a very so-al being — "I love interacting cial being with people," she said — she also enjoys the silence and the solitude of working in her studio. Over the years, she's learned to work in small parcels of time, often working on two pieces simultaneously. She also said she values her time spent in critique groups, where she exchanges ideas with

fellow artists. ■

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### **Atherton**

**130 Britton Ave.** Labe Trust to Britton Avenue Limited for \$8,200,000 on 4/6/15; previous sale 6/12, \$6,000,000

**36 Melanie Lane** Hahn Trust to Spinner Trust for \$5,300,000 on 4/7/15; previous sale 5/79, \$234,000

**86 Michaels Way** E. Corrigan to Hu-Hanone Limited for \$8,980,000 on 4/9/15; previous sale 10/05, \$2,275,000

### **East Palo Alto**

**2279 Clarke Ave.** Zechariah Housing to C. & L. Martinez for \$270,000 on 4/3/15; previous sale 6/12, \$240,000

**2465 Gonzaga St.** E. Smith to Alvernaz Partners for \$340,000 on 4/9/15

**2291 Ralmar Ave.** Mcmullen Trust to S. & P. Anderson for \$460,000 on 4/6/15

**163 Verbena Drive** R. Brown to R. Guo for \$700,000 on 4/8/15; previous sale 10/08, \$398,000

### Los Altos

**100 1st St. #302** Los Altos8 Limited to Kim Trust for \$2.383,500 on 4/21/15

**1251 Nightingale Court** Lai Trust to C. Tam for \$2,788,000 on 4/22/15; previous sale 5/91, \$845,000

**1642 Parkhills Ave.** Cammarata Trust to K. Chen for \$2,450,000 on 4/23/15

on 4/23/15 **1748 Walnut Drive** T. Schmidt to J. & H. Schmidt for \$1,200,000 on 4/21/15

### Los Altos Hills

**25463 Adobe Lane** Howells Trust to C. & H. Mayon for

### **SALES AT A GLANCE**

### **Atherton**

Total sales reported: **3**Lowest sales price: **\$5,300,000**Highest sales price: **\$8,980,000** 

### **East Palo Alto**

Total sales reported: **4** Lowest sales price: **\$270,000** Highest sales price: **\$700,000** 

### **Los Altos**

Total sales reported: **4**Lowest sales price: **\$1,200,000**Highest sales price: **\$2,788,000** 

### Los Altos Hills

Total sales reported: **3** Lowest sales price: **\$3,550,000** Highest sales price: **\$4,500,000** 

### **Menlo Park**

Total sales reported: **13**Lowest sales price: **\$1,100,000**Highest sales price: **\$5,200,000** 

### **Mountain View**

Total sales reported: 9 Lowest sales price: \$775,000 Highest sales price: \$2,402,000

### **Palo Alto**

Total sales reported: **9**Lowest sales price: **\$1,350,000**Highest sales price: **\$5,925,000** 

### **Portola Valley**

Total sales reported: **1**Lowest sales price: **\$10,800,000**Highest sales price: **\$10,800,000** 

### Redwood City

Total sales reported: 22 Lowest sales price: \$545,000 Highest sales price: \$1,625,000

### Woodside

Total sales reported: **1**Lowest sales price: **\$2,500,000**Highest sales price: **\$2,500,000** 

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\$4,500,000 on 4/22/15; previous sale 9/86, \$810,000

**12175 Hilltop Drive** Liu Trust to R. & L. Ambati for \$3,550,000 on 4/23/15; previous sale 12/10, \$2.150.000

**24871 Olive Tree Lane** Sliwa Trust to J. Hogan for \$4,285,000 on 4/21/15; previous sale 12/04, \$2.100.000

### **Menlo Park**

**2157 Avy Ave.** A. Hoster to Comanor Trust for \$2,000,000 on 4/3/15; previous sale 5/09, \$970,000

**295 Bay Road** Jain Trust to WCAI3 Limited for \$1,375,000 on 4/9/15; previous sale 11/08, \$740,000

**2121 Camino a los Cerros** Pivard Trust to V. Subramaniam for

\$2,025,000 on 4/7/15; previous sale 11/02, \$845,000

**810 College Ave.** Judrich Trust to O. Agesen for \$1,930,000 on 4/3/15; previous sale 5/91, \$100,000

**332 Concord Drive** Venuto Trust to S. & A. Patel for \$2,200,000 on 4/9/15; previous sale 5/07, \$1.601.500

974 Continental Drive Church of Pioneers Foundation to S. Daily for \$3,057,000 on 4/2/15

**2191 Gordon Ave.** D. & C. Demers to N. & P. Enbom for \$2,895,000 on 4/9/15; previous sale 9/13, \$2,725,000

**1241 Hoover St.** H. Tanner to J. & D. Banks for \$1,925,000 on 4/9/15; previous sale 7/09, \$1,115,000

**210 Lennox Ave.** G. Leoncioni to S. Schmidt for \$2,300,000 on 4/1/15; previous sale 10/12,

\$1,375,000 **612 San Benito Ave.** C. & L. Slack to A. Lin for \$1,100,000 on 4/3/15

**1206 San Mateo Drive** D. & A. Bastian to RPRD Limited for \$5,200,000 on 4/8/15; previous

sale 12/04, \$3,800,000 **1204 Sharon Park Drive #79** M. & B. Kelly to V. Sahi for \$1,260,000 on 4/8/15; previous sale 3/06, \$925,000

**340 Trenton Way** MVCJ Limited to R. & P. Desai for \$2,128,000 on 4/7/15; previous sale 12/00, \$911,000

### **Mountain View**

**201 Ada Ave. #19** S. & L. Mc-Cormack to D. & A. Sagi-Dlev for \$1,350,000 on 4/23/15; previous sale 8/03, \$582,000

**1298 Cuernavaca Circulo**Herald Trust to Y. Huang for \$1,250,000 on 4/21/15; previous sale 7/06, \$899,000

**2111 Latham St. #319** J. Casey

to C. Wang for \$865,000 on 4/21/15; previous sale 12/94, \$137,500

**13091 Lorene Court** Boomer Trust to L. Zhou for \$2,402,000 on 4/21/15; previous sale 9/98, \$650.000

**240 Pine Way** Lugerner Trust to A. Hsu for \$1,850,000 on 4/22/15; previous sale 1/13, \$1,161,000

**1921 Rock St. #21** M. Fujeh to D. Arulkannan for \$775,000 on 4/23/15; previous sale 9/05, \$535,000

**1963 Rock St. #6** D. Ryan to J. Bradley for \$1,065,000 on 4/22/15; previous sale 1/14, \$732,000

**2255 Showers Drive #255** R. & M. Leong to Y. Han for \$950,000 on 4/22/15; previous sale 5/06, \$582,000

**1046 Wright Ave. #G** L. Tan to Y. Ji for \$825,000 on 4/21/15; previous sale 6/07, \$509,000

### Palo Alto

**3218 Bryant St.** G. & M. Dahlby to F. Ye for \$2,530,000 on 4/20/15

**425 Grant Ave. #23** P. Krensky to D. Zhu for \$1,350,000 on 4/21/15; previous sale 3/00, \$95,000

**2505 Greer Road** B. & C. Stenson to X. Jing for \$2,285,000 on 4/23/15; previous sale 1/12, \$1,200,000

**3333 Kenneth Drive** H. Wang to E. & S. Honigstein for \$2,400,000 on 4/20/15; previous sale 10/09, \$1.295,000

**3641 Louis Road** Ruhm Trust to H. Li for \$2,200,000 on 4/21/15 **578 Lowell Ave.** S. & L. Ellsworth to Narayan Trust for \$5,925,000 on 4/21/15; previous sale 5/86, \$350,000

**230 Maclane St.** Huggins Trust to Y. Oh for \$2,775,000 on 4/21/15; previous sale 7/92, \$315,000

**4021 Villa Vista** Jakubowski Trust to B. & H. Emberling for \$1,750,000 on 4/22/15; previous sale 11/08, \$912,000

**101 Waverley St.** Craig Trust to R. & P. Singal for \$5,000,000 on 4/23/15

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**642 Bair Island Road #1018**One Marina Homes to C. & C. Ko for \$920,000 on 4/3/15; previous sale 12/14, \$649,000

2635 Brewster Ave. Laran Trust to Y. Dong for \$1,070,000 on

**2642 Carolina Ave.** K. Kiplinger to Neel Trust for \$1,267,500 on 4/7/15; previous sale 6/04,

**2774 Delaware Ave.** E. & S. Schow to F. Acabbi for \$1,352,000 on 4/9/15

**27 Don Court** Demma Trust to R. & L. Daniel for \$1,405,000 on 4/8/15; previous sale 10/98, \$539,000

**1180 Fairview Ave.** Stent Trust to M. & T. Haskell for \$1,150,000 on 4/7/15

**2478 Goodwin Ave.** Allen Trust to M. Kazemi for \$1,200,000 on

4/3/15 **164 Harrison Ave.** J. Simon to P. Lambert for \$950,000 on 4/9/15; previous sale 1/89, \$335,000

previous sale 1/89, \$335,000 **1542 Mitchell Way** M. Vaught to J. Panos for \$1,066,500 on 4/6/15

**521 Osprey Drive** J. Keck to S. Soliwal for \$1,418,000 on 4/3/15; previous sale 5/05, \$973,000

79 Pelican Lane Parkview Edge Properties to Guldbech Trust for \$700,000 on 4/3/15; previous sale 9/90, \$237,000

**416 Poplar Ave.** Yamamoto Trust to PAAC Limited for \$1,000,000 on 4/8/15

1275 Reese St. A. Lisin to Clover Road Limited for \$875,000 on 4/3/15
200 Scenic Drive Heathering-

ton Trust to J. & A. Ballon for \$1,625,000 on 4/3/15 **656 Sea Anchor Drive #2501** 

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**658 Sea Anchor Drive #2605** One Marina Homes to K. & I. Gilmore for \$869,500 on 4/8/15 **502 Shoal Circle** R. Liu to W. Yao for \$915,000 on 4/9/15; previous sale 11/05, \$680,000

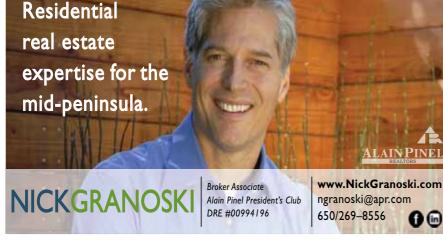
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P. Leung to C. & T. Lozito for \$545,000 on 4/9/15; previous sale 6/06, \$495,000

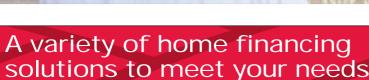
**624 Stambaugh St.** R. Cruz to R. & A. Valdefiera for \$850,000 on 4/9/15; previous sale 6/05, \$700,000

**726 Vera Ave.** S. & S. Pierce to Bozicevic Trust for \$861,000 on 4/6/15; previous sale 7/92, \$223,000

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**815 Patrol Road** K. McCurdy to T. & S. Heinz for \$2,500,000 on 4/8/15; previous sale 1/05, \$2,080,000





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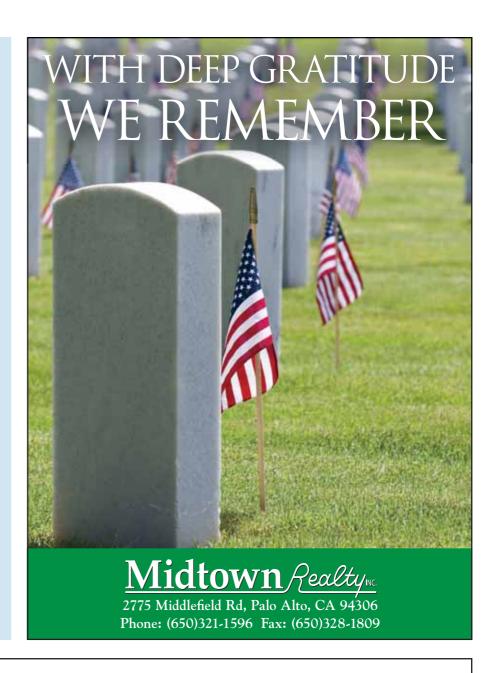
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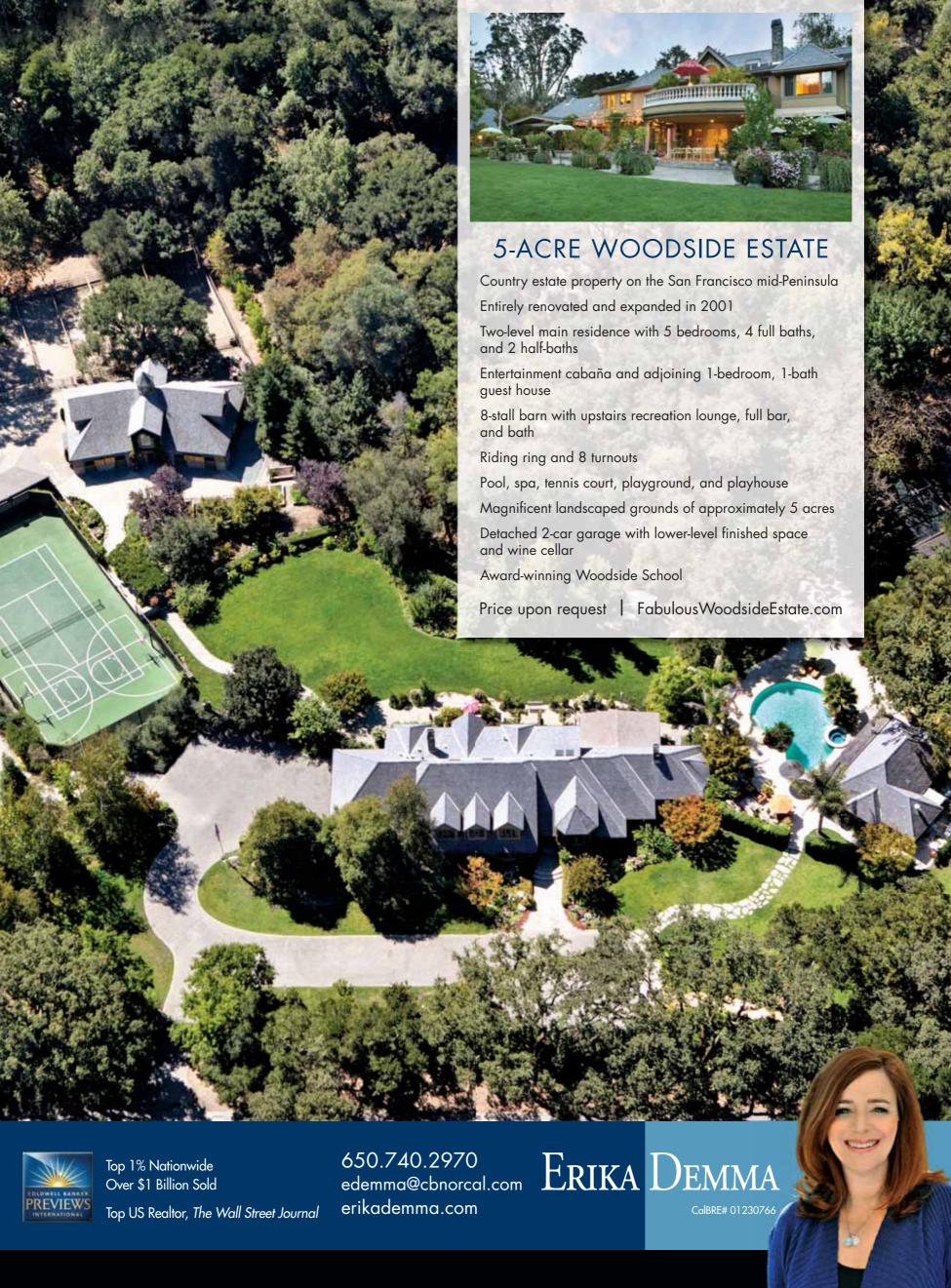
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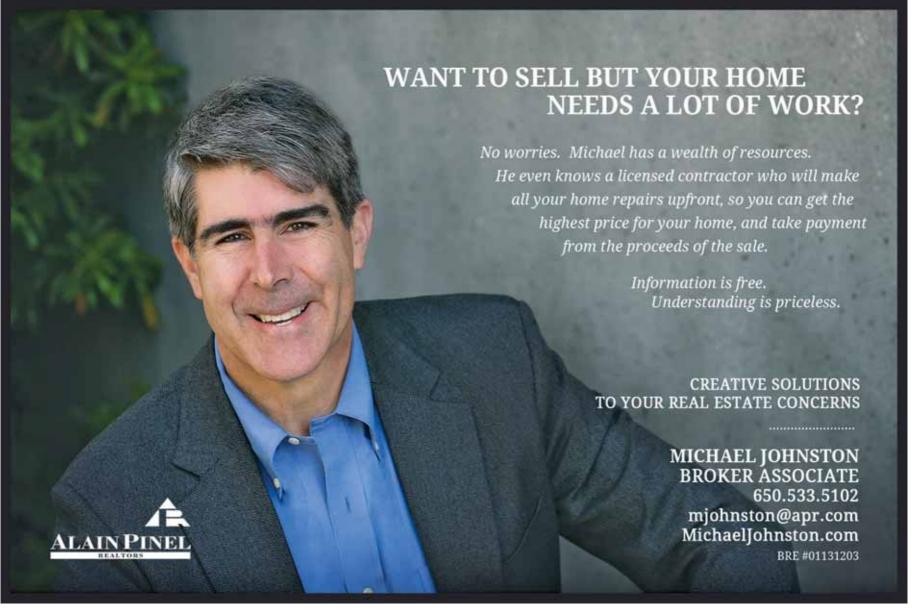
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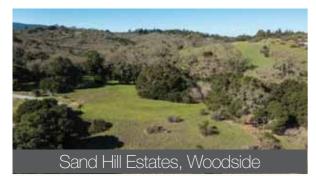


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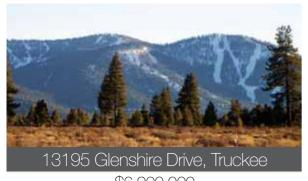
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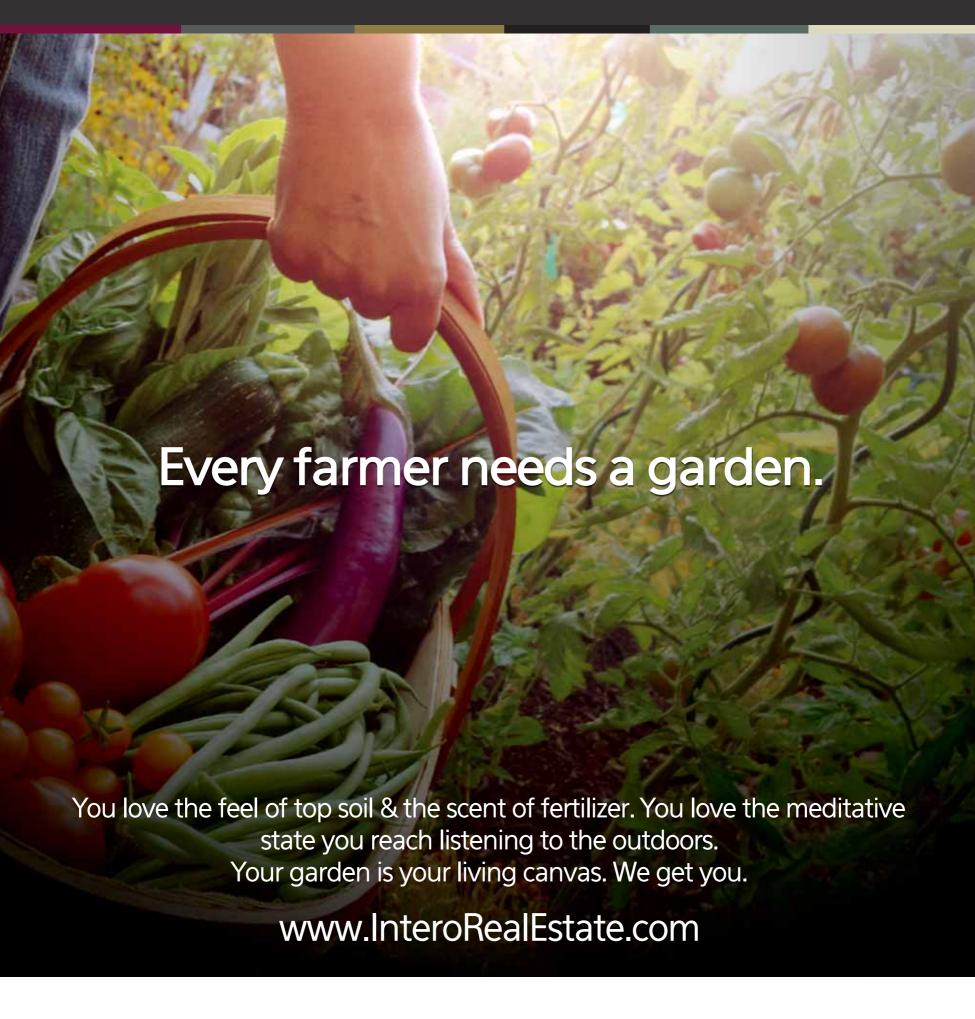


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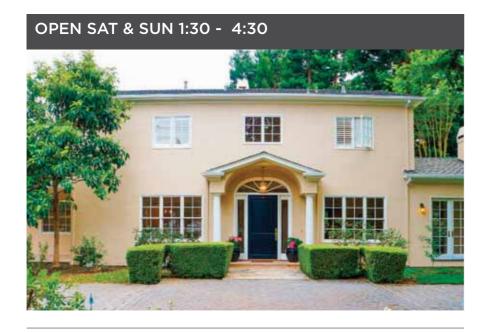


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File No.: 604065
The following person (persons) is (are)
doing business as:
Kensington House Apartments, located
at 779 Holly Oak Dr., Palo Alto, CA
94303, Santa Clara County.
This business is owned by: A Trust.
The name and residence address of the
owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): MARK E. SAMSON, Trustee MARK E. SAMISON, Hustee 779 Holly Oak Dr. Palo Alto, CA 94303 SHARON T. SAMSON, Trustee

779 Holly Oak Dr. Palo Alto, CA 94303 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on April 22, 2015. (PAW May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015) ALL BOUT CASH ATM'S

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMEN File No.: 604197 The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: All Bout Cash ATM'S, located at 551 Alberta Ave., #1, Sunnyvale, CA 94087, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: An Individual.

The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): JUAN J. SAUCEDO 551 Alberta Ave., #1 Sunnvvale, CA 94087

Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious busines name(s) listed above on N/A This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on April 27, 2015. (PAW May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015)

ADVANCED BUSINESS ALLIANCE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604140

doing business as: Advanced Business Alliance, located at 14 Greentree Circle, Milpitas, CA 95035, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: A General Partnership. The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): LIEN N. QUANG LIEN N. QUANG
14 Greentree Cr.
Milpitas, CA 95035
DANIEL M. HUYNH
328 N. 15th. 5t.
San Jose, CA 95112
Registrant/Owner began transacting
business under the fictitious business
name(s) listed above on 04/18/2015.
This statement was filed with the
County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara
County on April 24, 2015. (PAW May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015)

The following person (persons) is (are)

VALERO OF PALO ALTO VALERO OF PALO ALTO
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 604036
The following person (persons) is (are)
doing business as:
Valero of Palo Alto, located at 1963 El
Camino Real, Palo Alto, CA 94306, Santa
Clara Courty Clara County. This business is owned by: A Corporation. The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): H & M INFINITY ENTERPRISE INC. 1963 El Camino Rea 1963 El Camino Real Palo Alto, CA 94306 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 3/27/2007. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara Cupty on April 21 2015 County on April 21, 2015

OIV CAPITAL LIMITED FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604338 The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
OIV Capital Limited, located at 419 Lambert Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94306, Santa Clara County.
This business is owned by: An Individual. The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): MICHAEL HU 14463 Liddicoat Los Altos Hills, CA 94022 Registrant/ Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 09/30/2010.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on April 29, 2015. (PAW May 8, 15, 22, 29, 2015)

(PAW May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015)

MAY MAY MILLER FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604506 The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: May May Miller, located at 4285 Los Palos Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94306, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: An Individual. The name and residence address of the The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): CI ZHANG 4285 Los Palos Ave. Palo Alto, CA 94306 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 12/17/2009. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 4 2015. County on May 4, 2015. (PAW May 8, 15, 22, 29, 2015)

MOUSDRVR MUSIC MOUSDRYR MUSIC FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604055
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: mousdryr music, located at 345
Sheridan Ave. #410, Palo Alto, CA 94306, Santa Clara County. Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: An Individual. The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): JUSTIN DAVIN CADY 345 Sheridan Ave. #410 Palo Alto, CA 94306 Palo Alto, CA 94306 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on April 22, 2015. (PAW May 8, 15, 22, 29, 2015)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604507 The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Kanpai, located at 330 Lytton Avenue, Palo Alto, CA 94301, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: A Corporation. The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): OKURA INTERNATIONAL INC. 211 E. El Camino Real Menlo Park, CA 94025 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 05/01/2015. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 5, 2015. (PAW May 8, 15, 22, 29, 2015)

TBD TECHNOLOGIES
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 604414 The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: TBD Technologies, located at 4023 Villa Vista, Palo Alto, CA 94306, Santa Clara This business is owned by: An Inis Justiless is owned by: All Individual.

The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):
FRANKLIN SCHELLENBERG
4023 Villa Vista
Palo Alto, CA 94306
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 1, 2015. ndividual. County on May 1, 2015. (PAW May 15, 22, 29, June 5, 2015)

GARLIC CITY PROPERTIES

GARLIC CITY PROPERTIES FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604565 The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Garlic City Properties, located at 5870 Winged Foot Dr., Gilroy, CA 95020, Santa Clar Clara County. This business is owned by: A Limited Liability Company.

The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): SOARING EAGLE PROPERTIES, LLC SOARING EAGLE PROPERTIES, LLC 5870 Winged Foot Dr. Gilroy, CA 95020 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 4/21/15 This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May S 2015. County on May 5, 2015. (PAW May 15, 22, 29, June 5, 2015) PALO ALTO CREAMERY

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604852: The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Palo Alto Creamery, located at 566 Emerson St., Palo Alto, CA 94301, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: An Individual. The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): ROBERT FISCHER 566 Emerson St. Palo Alto, CA 94301 Palo Alto, CA 94301 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 12/15/09. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 13, 2015. (PAW May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2015) REPOSADO FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604853

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:
Reposado, located at 236 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94301, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: An Individual. The name and residence address of the

The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): ROBERT S. FISCHER 566 Emerson St. Palo Alto, CA 94301 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 9/30/08. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 13, 2015. (PAW May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2015) (PAW May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2015)

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MILESTONE FINANCIAL
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No.: 604981
The following person (persons) is (are)
doing business as:
Milestone Financial, located at 4970 El
Camino Real #230, Los Altos, CA 94022,
Santa Clara County Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: A Corporation. The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): BEAR BRUIN VENTURES, INC. 4970 El Camino Real #230 4970 El Camino Real #230 Los Altos, CA 94022 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 18, 2015.

(PAW May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2015) LITTLE BYTES PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FICTTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604996 The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: Little Bytes Pediatric Dentistry, located at 853 Middlefield Rd., Suite 2, Palo Alto, CA 94301, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: A Corporation. The name and residence address of the owner(S)/registrant(s) is(are): owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are): MICHELLE HAGHPANAH, D.D.S. 3732 Feather Lane Palo Alto, CA 94303 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County On May 18, 2015. (PAW May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2015)

CONNECTING PEOPLE CP

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604276 The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as: 1.) Connecting People, 2.) CP, located at 780 Maplewood Avenue, Palo Alto, CA 94303, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: An

Individual

Individual.
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):
CHRISTOPHER PERALTA
780 Maplewood Avenue
Palo Alto, CA 94303
Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 4/27/15.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on April 28, 2015. County on April 28, 2015. (PAW May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2015)

PALO ALTO VINEYARD CHURCH FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604880 The following person (persons) is (are)

doing business as: Palo Alto Vineyard Church, located at 744 San Antonio Road # 22, Palo Alto, CA 94303, Santa Clara County This business is owned by: A

This business is owned by ...
Corporation.
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):
VINEYARD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP OF

VINEYARD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP OF THE PENINSULA 445 Sherman Ave., Suite S Palo Alto, CA 94306 Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on May 14 2015 County on May 14, 2015. (PAW May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 2015)

BCU GROUP BLOCKCHAIN UNIVERSITY FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No.: 604189 The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as:

1.) BCU Group, 2.) Blockchain University, located at 1172 Castro St., Mountain View, CA 94041, Santa Clara County. This business is owned by: A Limited This business is owned by: A Limited Liability Company.
The name and residence address of the owner(s)/registrant(s) is(are):
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Mountain View, CA 94040

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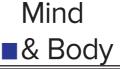
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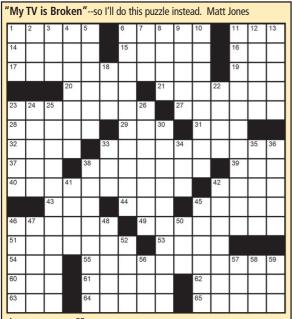
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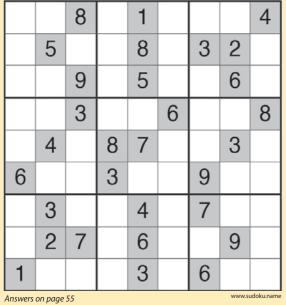
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Registrant/Owner began transacting business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 3/1/2015. This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Santa Clara County on April 24, 2015

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No.
CA-14-652026-HL Order No.: 100726105
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OF TRUST DATED 11/30/2007. UNLESS
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PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC
SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION
OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING
AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT
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California; Date of Sale: 6/10/2015 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: At the North Market Street Entrance of the Santa Clara County Superior Courthouse, 190 N. Market Street, San Jose, CA 95113 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: 56,315,537.58 The purported property address is: 996 LAUREL GLEN DR, PALO ALTO, CA 94304 Assessor's Parcel No: 182-43-037-00 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you ering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site http://www.qualityloan.com , using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-14-652026-HL . Information about postponements

that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no furpaid. The Purchaser shall have no fur ther recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. QUALITY MAY BE CONSIDERED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: Quality Loan Service Corporation 411 lyy Street letter is intended to exercise the note Joan Service Corporation 411 lvy Street San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 800-280-2832 Or Login to: http://www. qualityloan.com Reinstatement Line: qualityloan.com Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: CA-14-652026-HL IDSPub #0082561 5/15/2015 5/22/2015 5/29/2015 Title Order No.: 150014012 Trustee Sale No.: 14-00533A Reference No

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DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT DATED
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NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE
OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU,
YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On
6/4/2015 at 10:00 AM, A.S.A.P. Collection
Services, as the duly appointed Trustee Services, as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Notice of Delinquent Assessment, recorded on 2/25/2009 as Document No. 20146317 Book n/a Page n/a of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Santa Clara County, California, property owned by: Booker T. Wade Jr. WILL SELL AT PUBLIC Booker T. Wade Jr. WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a State or national bank, a check drawn by a state of federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savassociation, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state.) At: At the gated North Market Street entrance Superior Courthouse, 190 N Market St., San Jose, CA 95113 Said sale shall be subject to a CA 95113 Said sale shall be subject to a 90 day right of redemption period per the requirements of the California Civil Code section 5715(b). All rights, title and interest under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment in the property situated in said County, describing the land therein, under Assessors' Parcel Number: 120-43-003 The street address and other common designation, if any of the real property described above is purported to be: 605 Forest Ave Palo Alto, CA 94301-2623 The undersigned Trustee disclaims 2623 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum due under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment, with interest thereon, as provided in said notice, advances, if any, estimated fees, charges, and expenses

# 997 All Other Legals

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of the Trustee, to-wit: \$92,089.81
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Escrow No. FSBC-0271501104-CL
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of assets and a transfer of alcoholic
beverage license is about to be made.
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CHAE PARK, 4131 EL CAMINO WAY, PALO
ALTO, CA 94306
The business is known as: SUSHI TOMO
The names and addresses of the Buyer/
Transferee are: EUN OK BAEK, 4131 EL

CAMINO WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306 CAMINO WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306
As listed by the Seller/Licensee, all othe business names and addresses used by the Seller/Licensee within three (3) years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer/Transferee are: NONE

The assets to be sold are described.

The assets to be sold are described in general as: STOCK IN TRADE, INVENTORY, FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EOUIPMENT, GOODWILL AND TRADE NAME and are located at: 4131 EL CAMINO WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306 CAMINO WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306
The kind of license to be transferred is:
Type: ON-SALE BEER AND WINE-EATING
PLACE, License Number: 390690 now
issued for the premises located at: 4131
EL CAMINO WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306
The anticipated date of the sale/
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# **Sports Shorts**

Stanford lacrosse players and one assistant coach have been invited to the U.S. women's national team tryouts, from June 12-14 at Johns

Hopkins University. Stanford juniors Andrienne Anderson, Alexandra Crerend and Lucy Dikeou, plus veteran U.S. national team goalie Liz Hogan, a Cardinal assistant, will be among 108 players taking part in the three-day tryout. Also, Stanford head coach Amy Bokker is an assistant coach for the U.S. team. Farlier in the week. Dikeou and Anderson were named All-Americans by the Intercollegiate Lacrosse Coaches ... Cardinal senior-to-Association. be **Graham Shuler** has been named to the Rimington Trophy Spring Watch List. The Rimington Trophy is presented annually to the most outstanding center in college football.

Darian Brooks and Valarie Allman made Stanford history by winning titles on the final day of the Pac-12 Track and Field Championships on Sunday at UCLA's Drake Stadium. Brooks earned a triple jump repeat, becoming the first Stanford male to win back-to-back titles since Gabe Jennings won 1,500-meter crowns from 2000-02. Allman, a sophomore, became Stanford's first conference women's discus champion, with a throw of 187-3. She joined Saturday winners Brianna Bain (javelin) and Jessica Tonn (10,000) as champi-

OF LOCAL NOTE . . . Menlo School grad Daniel Morkovine helped the No. 1-ranked Claremont-Mudd-Scripps men's tennis team win the 2015 NCAA Division III championship with a 5-0 victory Middlebury on Wednesday in Mason, Ohio. For the Stags, it is the second national title in program history, the other (a tie), coming in 1981. Morkovine helped get the title-clinching started with an 8-1 win at No. 2 doubles with partner Skyler Butts. Morkovine was leading at No. 5 singles when the title match ended . . . Gunn High grad  ${\bf Graham}$ Fisher, a junior at Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa, was named to the D3Baseball.com All-Central Region Third Team. That is in addition to his being named First Team All-Midwest Conference last week

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# They're hoping to make a splash at state meet

Gunn's Campbell leads local qualifiers into the first-ever CIF State Swimming & Diving Championships

### by Keith Peters

unn High senior Jenna Campbell can be viewed as a trailblazer, of sorts, when it comes to the inaugural CIF State Swimming & Diving Championships on Friday and Saturday at the Clovis Olympic Swim Complex at Clovis West High.

Not only is she the first Gunn female swimmer to compete in the first-ever state meet, but she goes in as the top seed in both the 200-yard and 500-yard freestyles.

Only one other swimmer in the state — boy or girl — can claim such a double. That would be senior Ella Estin of Crean Lutheran High in Irvine. She's No. 1 in the 200 IM and 100

Estin is heading to Stanford next fall after breaking her own national private school record with a 1:53.90 at last weekend's CIF-

Southern Section Division 2 finals in Riverside. Campbell, meanwhile, is headed to Cal.

It must be noted, however, that not all the top qualified swimmers in the state will be attending this weekend's inaugural event. Sonora High sophomore Taylor Ault, who won the 500 free (4:43.46) and 200 free (1:46.06) at the CIF-SS Division 2 meet, declined to compete due to a conflict with her school prom.

The Bellarmine boys, who won a 31st straight CCS team crown on Saturday, are for the most part staying away as well due to graduation ceremonies on Saturday morning. And many Southern California swimmers are staying home to train with their club teams for the summer long course season.

With that said, winning a state title this

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NCAA GOLF

# A shot to improve in finals

Stanford women take tests before facing one on the course

by Rick Eymer

he first order of business for the Stanford women's golf team upon arriving in the Bradenton, Fla. area Wednesday in preparation for the NCAA championships, which begins Friday, was to find somewhere

The second was to find a quiet place to complete homework assignments or, in the case of sophomore biology major Quirine Eijkenboom, take a chemistry exam.

It's a balancing act," Cardinal coach Anne Walker said. "When you come to Stanford, you know that. The difference is the experience of being a student-athlete more so than the competition. They've all played under the gun. They are all high achievers who are not satisfied with good enough.'

Last year's 18th-place finish, for example, wasn't good enough, especially after winning the Pac-12 title over then top-ranked USC. With basically the same group returning, the team talked a lot about changing preparations lead-

ing up to the final event.

Taking exams and finishing projects ahead of the NCAAs was part of the equation. Eijkenboom's exam was the major academic event of the week. The team can focus on the task at hand, which began with Thursday's practice

"It's the most important day of the week," Walker said. "That's when you collect all your notes, where you want to play the ball. If

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PREP TENNIS

# Menlo boys add to their banner year with CCS titles

he wall in the Menlo School athletic center that holds all the championship banners will have a new addition soon, thanks to the boys tennis team. The Knights recently won a 14th Central Coast Section team title and added a doubles crown this week.

The banner that holds all the years of title matches is now filled and a new one must be started. The current players are doing their best to fill that one up, as well, as the Knights may be adding one more title this

Menlo will take the No. 1 seed and a 25-1 record into the CIF NorCal Championships, which begin Friday at the Natomas Racquet

Club near Sacramento. Menlo will be seeking a seventh straight title in the event and its 12th overall.

Second-seeded Dougherty Valley of San Ramon likely will be the Knights' toughest competition, now that CCS runner-up Bellarmine has pulled out of the tourney due to graduation ceremonies on Saturday morning.

Menlo will open Friday at 1 p.m., facing the winner of Oakland Tech and Lowell. The Knights should advance to Saturday's semifinals (1 p.m.) against either No. 4 Acalanes or No. 5 Rio Americano. The championship match is Saturday at 3 p.m.

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Menlo seniors Vikram Chari (left) and Gunther Matta won the CCS doubles title.

PREP LACROSSE

# A day for titles in finals

Paly teams both win; Menlo girls, SHP boys also take league crowns

### by Harold Gutmann

he final day of the 2015 high school lacrosse season was a busy one with four league championship matches being held.

In addition to the Palo Alto girls holding off rival Gunn in two overtimes, the West Bay Athletic League, Peninsula Athletic League and SCVAL De Anza Division all wrapped up with local teams winning all of the titles on Saturday.

While there aren't enough teams to hold a Central Coast Section tournament, the Palo Alto and Gunn girls still managed to bring the season to an incredibly dramatic end.

After Gunn sophomore Janis Iourovitski tied the SCVAL De Anza Division playoff final with 1.1 seconds left in regulation, Paly's Allie Peery scored with 12.9 seconds left in the second overtime period to give the host Vikings a 12-11 win and their second straight playoff title, the third overall in program history.

Paly (18-1) had won all 12 of its division games by at least three goals in the regular season, including a pair of four-goal wins over Gunn.

"It's good for the girls," Paly coach Jamie Nesbitt said. "Coming into it we hadn't had to deal with a lot of adversity like that, so I think it's fun to have a couple of those."

The third meeting between the teams looked like it would be another comfortable win for host Paly when the Vikings led 7-3 at halftime and 8-4 with 20 minutes to go.

But the Titans (14-5), whose only two league losses were to Paly, scored four straight goals over a span of 8:09 to set up the thrilling finish. Senior co-captain Rachael Tsai tied the game at 8 when she circled around from behind the goal and shot into the upper corner with 11:44 to play in the second half.

Paly regained the lead on a free position shot by Maya Benatar with 8:03 remaining, and the Vikings stayed in front when Meredith Kinnaman saved a spinning shot by Tsai from in close with five minutes left. But Gunn tied the game again when junior Annie Vesey beat her defender and scored with 1:21 to play.

Paly retook the lead when Claire Chevallier controlled the ensuing draw and Lauren Gargiulo circled the crease and scored with 43 seconds left, but Gunn had one more comeback. Vesey won the next draw and, after a time out, Anna



Palo Alto senior Allie Peery (second from left) was all smiles after scoring the winning goal in the second OT in a 12-11 win over rival Gunn in the SCVAL De Anza Division playoff finale.

Dang found Iourovitski in front of the goal. Iourovitski scored with 1.1 seconds left to send the game into overtime at 10-10.

"I think what happens with us sometimes is we get a little bit tight, and we get out of what we do," Gunn coach Doug Arakawa said. "But the team has definitely been peaking, and in years past maybe we haven't been peaking toward the playoffs, but this year we were playing our best lacrosse in the end and I think it showed because we gave them all they could handle."

That set up two three-minute overtime periods. Neither team did much in the first session.

Iourovitski scored the first goal of extra time with 1:20 remaining to put Gunn in front, 11-10, but that only seemed to spark Paly's offense.

Peery controlled the ensuing draw and set up the tying goal just 10 seconds later -- by Paige Bara -- and then scored the winner off an assist from Gargiulo with 12.9 seconds left

"They deserve it," Nesbitt said. "The season they've had, it would have been a shame to have it go the other way just because of an off day, so I'm glad that they were able to rally around all these situations happening to get this one."

Peery had five goals and Bara had three goals in the game. Both are seniors. Gunn got three goals from Tsai and Vesey with Caroline Chou adding two.

### **WBAL**

The Menlo School girls ended rival Sacred Heart Prep's two-year run as playoff champ with a dominating 17-9 victory at Burlingame High. The Knights finished 15-7 and the Gators 9-13.

"The finals are always a big deal," said Menlo coach Jen Lee. "Our first half was phenomenal. We are thrilled with the outcome, absolutely. But, certainly prepared for it all season."

Menlo School played its tough-

est schedule ever in preparation for the league playoffs. During one stretch of nonleague matches, the Knights went 1-3 with losses to Monte Vista (Danville), defending Oregon state champ Lake Oswego and NorCal power Novato and fell to 6-5 after the third straight loss.

Menlo was missing its only goalie, Alena Stern, during those losses.

Lee said Stern also was injured during warmups prior to Thursday's semifinal win and wound up getting a cast on her hand on Saturday morning before the title match.

The Knights scored three goals within 36 seconds for a 3-1 lead. After SHP senior Brigid White scored the first of her five goals, Menlo fired off seven straight goals and eventually held an 11-2 lead with 12:47 still to play before intermission.

Donovan finished with three goals and five assists, Price had five goals and junior attack captain Parvathi Narayan added three goals plus two assists. Indie Varma also tallied three times for Menlo, who had 16 players who contributed to the win.

In addition to White, SHP goalie Emilie Swan had 13 saves and Pippa Thompson finished with two goals.

### **PAL** boys

Despite finishing second to rival Menlo during the regular season in the Peninsula Athletic League, Sacred Heart Prep turned the tables and captured its second straight playoff title with a 7-5 victory over the Knights on Saturday at Burlingame High.

The teams were tied at 2 at halftime before the Gators (17-5) pulled away. SHP goalie Austin Appleton had 16 saves and was named the MVP of the championship match. Jack Crockett tallied three goals for SHP with Will Kremer adding two goals and two assists.



Menlo's Sophia Donovan (99) had eight points in the WBAL final.

The Knights wrapped up a 15-6 season, during which they finished 12-1 in league.

Mason Brady scored twice for Menlo on Saturday and Nick Frangione added a pair of assists.

### SCVAL boys

At the SCVAL De Anza Division playoff finale, No. 2-seeded Palo Alto upended host and top-seeded Los Gatos, 9-5. The Vikings (14-5) jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first quarter, and never led by less the remainder of the game.

While the Wildcats were dominant at face-offs, winning all but two, the Paly limited transition opportunities and dueled it out in settled lacrosse. Paly junior goalie Quintin Valenti had 15 saves and was named the game's MVP.

Matthew Seligon led Paly with three goals and two assists. ■

TRACK & FIELD

# A final tuneup for CCS finals

Local athletes head into section semifinals with momentum from leagues

### by Keith Peters

he next step has been sprinted, run, thrown or jumped as local track and field athletes head into the Central Coast Section semifinals on Saturday at San Jose City College.

Some are coming off victories in their respective league championships while others have just squeaked in. No matter, the slate is clean once again this weekend when berths will be at stake for the CCS finals on May 29, also at San Jose City College.

Action in the semifinals gets under way at 1:45 p.m. for field events and 2 p.m. for running. In all events but the distance races, the top eight advance.

Palo Alto and Gunn athletes already have had two meets to navigate, the league and combined SCVAL Qualifier meet. Those athletes who enjoyed success during the regular season have, for the most part, moved on.

Palo Alto junior Eli Givens, for one, will be busy again this week. He won the 100 (10.90), 200 (22.23), ran a leg on the winning 1,600 relay (3:25.36) and took third in the long jump (21-2) at the Qualifier last Friday at Santa Clara High.

Joining Givens will be teammates Austin Cox (100, 1600 relay), Dami Bolarinwa (400, 1,600 relay), and Kent Slaney (1,600, 800 and 1,600 relay). Those efforts helped Paly score 45 points and finish fourth.

The Gunn girls tallied 52 points and took third. The Titans qualified Gillian Meeks, who won the 1,600 (5:02.17) and took second in the 3,200 (10:55.78) plus fellow junior Maya Miklos, who won the 300 hurdles (45.39), took second in the 100 hurdles (15.487), and helped the 400 and 1,600 relays qualify.

Other Titans moving on are Jessica Luo (100 hurdles, 300 hurdles), Emily Aiken (3,200), Mac Radin (800), Andy Maltz (shot put), Tommy Farley (shot put), Frederick Li (shot put), Amy Watt (long jump) and Jeffrey Lee-Heidenreich (triple jump, high jump).

For the Palo Alto girls, Anna Dukovic qualified for the CCS semifinals in the long jump, high jump and 400 relay with Catherine Yu moving on in the 300 hurdles, 400 relay and 1,600 relay. Other qualifiers include Marion Sellier (400 relay), Titi Bolarinwa (200, 1,600 relay), Adee Newman (1,600 relay) and Julia Asin in the 400, 400 relay and 1,600 relay.

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### **Swimming**

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weekend still should be considered a very big deal. It's the culmination of months of hard work. The payoff this weekend is that every winner establishes the firstever state meet record.

Campbell certainly is in contention to accomplish just that.

"Winning is in the back of my mind," said Campbell, "but I think, more importantly, is going out there and, because I had an amazing swim last week, trying to repeat that and just prove it wasn't a one-time thing."

"It's hard to say enough about Jenna," said Gunn head coach Mark Hernandez, who watched Campbell win a third straight section title in the 200 free (1:46.92) and win her first 500 free title with a school record of 4:45.83, the second-fastest winning time in CCS history. Both are automatic All-American times.

"After the meet, she was named CCS Swimmer of the Year, and deservedly so," Hernandez said. "She had a wire-to-wire, dominant win in the 200; and her 500 was straight-up redemption. She wasn't satisfied with her 500 swims in the past few CCS meets, and it was obvious to all who knew her that she took her frustration out on the two girls swimming next to her. It was especially nice to see because we all know that no one works harder than Jenna."

Campbell's efforts didn't result in a team title, though, as Mitty (250) won the 42nd annual meet for an 11th time with Palo Alto (222) finishing second for the eighth time. Sacred Heart Prep was seventh (130), Gunn was eighth (112) and Menlo-Atherton 11th (80).

In the 50th annual boys' meet, Bellarmine won only one individual event while taking two relays but still scored 292 points. Gunn had its highest finish ever, taking second with 214 while losing to the Bells by just 78 points. Palo Alto was third with 210 points while six teams scored 150 points or more in one of the more balanced meets in years.

'Our boys did have their best finish ever," said Hernandez, "and it's a tribute to how good they are this year that, to a man, they would not say that we swam well — especially the second day. For a coach, that's not the worst place to be in. The boys are proud of this year, but hungry for next year already."
The 2015 CCS meet was unlike

any before it because of the emphasis on second and third place - as automatic qualifying berths for the state meet.

Thus, seven local girls plus seven relays will be heading to the state championships while five local boys and six relay teams will be moving on, as well.

Campbell and Palo Alto sophomore Grace Zhao were the individual standouts among local girls as both earned two individual berths for the state meet. Campbell also helped the 200 medley and 200 free relay squads advance while Zhao also helped the Vikings' 200 free and 400 relays qualify.

The Gunn 200 medley relay team of Campbell, Nia Gardner, Maria Wu and Sam Acker clocked a school record of 1:46.71.

Zhao was equally impressive as she defended her titles in the 50 free (23.18) and 100 breast (1:02.04), earning automatic All-American times in both events. Her 100 breast time was the second-fastest winning time in section history. She also led off the winning 200 free relay team in 23.14 that clocked 1:35.77 with junior Kayleigh Svensson, freshman Peyton Wang and freshman Claire Lin following Zhao in an automatic All-American time.

The Sacred Heart Prep and Menlo-Atherton girls benefited from the at-large qualifying time for the state meet as the Gators were fourth in 1:37.21 and the Bears seventh in a school record of 1:38.25. A year ago, swimmers on both teams would be done with high school swimming following the CCS meet.

The Sacred Heart Prep 400 free relay team of Kayla Holman, Matte Snow, Kathryn Bower and freshman Corinne Charlton earned their way to the state meet

### ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



### Jenna Campbell

**GUNN HIGH** 

The senior won her third straight 200 free title in 1:46.49, set a school mark by winning the 500 free in 4:45.83 -- both the No. 1 qualifying times for the state meet -- and was named CCS Swimmer of the Year.



### **Austin Appleton**

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The senior goalie had 36 saves in lacrosse victories over Burlingame (10-3), Men-Io-Atherton (6-5 overtime) and No. 1 Menlo (7-5) where he was named the MVP with 16 saves as the Gators captured the PAL playoff title.

### **Honorable mention**

Maya Benatar

Palo Alto lacrosse

**Annalisa Crowe** 

Menlo-Atherton track & field

Sophia Donovan\*

Menlo lacrosse Mimi Lin\*

Palo Alto diving

Lizzie Lacy\*

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Menlo tennis

Alex Liang\*

Palo Alto swimming **Quintin Valenti** 

Palo Alto lacrosse

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with a victory in 3:29.53. Palo Alto joined the Gators by taking third in 3:30.11.

Castilleja freshman Izzi Henig also earned a berth by taking second in the 100 free in 50.11.

Also moving on was a trio of

divers — Palo Alto's Mimi Lin and Menlo-Atherton sisters Mia and Talbott Paulsen. They finished 1-2-3 with Lin capturing her first section title on Friday with 482.60 points.

Palo Alto freshman Sofia Sig-

rist was seventh in the 500 free in 5:00.65, but also advanced to the state meet due to scratches in her event.

The Gunn boys, meanwhile, gave Bellarmine a chase throughout the meet. The Titans were within 50 points after the 500 free that saw Daichi Matsuda (4:34.48) take fifth and Michael Lincoln sixth (4:38.81). Matsuda earned a state meet berth on time, as well as in the 100 fly with a fifth-place time of 50.18 after setting a school record of 49.52 in the prelims.

Joining Matsuda in the state meet was a handful of teammates, including junior Joao Ama. He finished second in the 50 free in 21.32 after setting a school record of 21.14 in the prelims. In the 100 free, Ama tied his own school mark of 46.07 set in the prelims, which broke the previous Gunn record set in 1970. Despite finishing fourth, Ama moved on to the state meet with a qualifying time. However, he later scratched from the race.

Ama also helped the Gunn 200 free and 400 free relays qualify as the Titans clocked 1:27.17 (sixth place) and 3:10.82 (fifth). Gunn junior Trent Tosky was seventh in the 200 IM, but his 1:53.29 time also earned a state berth. His 1:52.97 in the prelims was a school record.

Tosky, Ama and Matsuda joined with Maximillian Pokutta on the 200 medley relay that tied Bellarmine for third in 1:34.03, which set a school mark for the Titans. Paly qualified on time, finishing fifth in 1:34.44.

Sophomore Alex Liang swam on the medley relay in addition to taking second in the 200 IM (a school record of 1:47.41) and second in the 100 fly (48.29). Both were automatic All-American times. He also led off the 400 free relay team in 46.07. The squad included Andrew Cho, Daniel Sing and Winston Wang and clocked 3:05.90 for second.

Also headed to the state meet is Paly junior diver Reed Merritt, who finished second on Saturday morning with a 496.60 total. He lost the title when he was passed in the final round.

### **Tennis**

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Menlo seniors Gunther Matta and Vikram Chari tuned up for the weekend by winning four matches over two days and claiming the doubles title at the CCS Individual Tournament that concluded Wednesday at Imperial Courts in Aptos.

Despite playing singles much of the year, Chari and Matta made a formidable team as they became the first Menlo tandem since Justin Chan and Andrew Carlisle in 2010 to claim the crown.

Just days after the Knights secured their seventh consecutive CCS team title, the top-seeded Matta and Chari added another title by defeating No. 2 seed Ajai Shekara and Issa Yoshida of Westmont, 7-5, 6-1, in the final.

In the semifinals, Matta and Chari worked past Lynbrook's unseeded team of Satyojit Simhadri and Matthew Ma, 6-1, 4-6, 6-4, who had earlier upended St. Ignatius' No. 3-seeded team.

Matta and Chari defeated Aragon's Matt Fowler and Landers Ngirchemat, 6-0, 6-4, in the Round of 16 Tuesday. In the quarterfinals following, Menlo's duo beat Santa Cruz's Ryan Harlan and Will Tierney, 6-1, 6-1.

Menlo once again will be favored to continue its championship season this weekend after earning a new banner for the gym wall with a 5-2 victory over No. 3 Bellarmine last Friday at Bay Club Courtside in Los Gatos. The team title was the Knights' seventh straight — tying Gunn's streak from 1972-78.

"It was great to do it," Menlo coach Bill Shine said of tying the

streak. "It's very special."

Gunn's streak was accomplished during an era that saw the Titans set a national record with 200 straight victories from 1969-1978. Menlo has its own streak of 228-0 in league dual meets. That's an ongoing state record.

Against Bellarmine (22-4), Menlo got off to a 3-0 lead as freshman Siddharth Chari won at No. 3 singles, 6-1, 6-3, and fellow freshman Clark Safran took his No. 4 singles match, 6-1. 6-1. When senior Clarence Lam and junior Alex Neumann posted a 6-4, 6-1 win at No. 3 doubles, it appeared Menlo had things wrapped up.

Not so. Menlo's No. 1 doubles team of senior Vikram Chari and junior Lane Leschly lost the first set and the No. 2 tandem of Gabriel Morgan and Mark Ball lost its second set. And, Gunther Matta had lost his first set at No.

2 singles and fellow senior Victor Pham was headed for a third set at No. 1. Both wound up losing.

Meanwhile, both Menlo doubles tandems were playing together for the first time this season, thanks to Bellarmine changing its lineup — moving its No. 3 and 4 singles players to No. 1 doubles. That forced Shine to do the same. with his No. 1 tandem from the semifinals (Siddharth Chari and Clark Safran) moving into singles.

"It was tough to adjust in the first set," said Vikram Chari, who was playing with a sore shoulder that kept him out of Monday's quarterfinals. "I've never had this problem. It hurt bad."

"They were pretty strong, and we were uptight," said Leschly, who was battling an allergic problem that caused him to have vision problems in one eye.

The tandem decided to just

have fun after the first-set loss and turned things around for a 1-6, 6-1, 6-4 victory to clinch the team victory.

Teammates who had lined up on an adjoining court charged Leschly and Chari to celebrate.

"We really showed our depth today, especially in doubles," said Shine. "Gabe and Mark hadn't played together all year. They really came through."

Shine knew the title match would be a battle, but that Bellarmine "Would really have to play their best to win," he said. "I had confidence in our guys.'

And now he has another CCS

"I don't ever take it for granted," said Shine, who improved to 453-46 in his 19th season. "The older kids want to keep the streak going and younger kids just want to be a part of it." ■

### Track & field

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### **Peninsula Athletic League**

Menlo-Atherton will be sending 15 athletes plus three relay teams to the CCS semifinals following the league championship match last Saturday at Westmoor High.

The M-A girls finished second to Mills by a single point, 110-109, while the boys were fifth with 50.

The girls' meet came down to the final 1,600 relay, where Burlingame finished first, M-A second and Mills third. The Bears needed to win to pull out the meet title.

Junior Annalisa Crowe was the individual standout for the M-A girls as she defended her league titles in the 800 (2:21.31) and 1,600 (5:13.07) in addition to anchoring the 1,600 relay team. Annie Harrier was even busier as busy as she won the 400 (58.64), took second in the 200 and ran on both qualifying relay teams.

Kathryn Mohr won the pole vault (11-6), was second in the 100 (12.88) and ran on the 400 relay. For the boys, Adam Scandyln won the 800 (1:58.00) and finished second in the 1,600 (4:22.24) in addition to helping the 1,600 relay advance.

Other Bears competing this weekend will be Cat DePuy (1,600), Madeleine Baier (1,600, 3,200), Charlotte Schroeder (400), Diamond Hawkins (100, 200, long jump), Terrance Matthews-Murphy (100), Olivia Shane (800), Rohan DePuy (800), Marquise Reed (long jump), Bryce Rodgers (shot put, discus), Bobby McDonald (pole vault) and Chloe Mauvais (pole vault).

The M-A girls really missed sophomore high jumper Kalina Zanelli, who was the defending league champ and was among the CCS leaders this season at 5-3. She was ruled out Wednesday with a broken foot, after reportedly dealing with stress fracture issues in recent weeks.

### **WBAL**

Menlo School senior Lizzie Lacy will have a much-reduced schedule for the CCS trials after running in three distance events and helping the Knights win the league title by just two points last Friday at Sacred Heart Prep.

Lacy, who is headed to Amherst to compete in cross country and track next season, won the 1,600 with a meet record of 4:58.63. She also took second in the 800 (2:23.77) and second in the 3200 (11:06.49) as the Knights scored 102 points to edge Notre Dame-San Jose (100).

While she qualified for CCS in all three events, Lacy will run only the 3,200 on Saturday. She ranks No. 7 in the state in an event she has run only three times in her life. Her best is 10:25.05.

"Like three years ago, this title was a team effort and an upset since NDSJ came in leading by at least seven points in projected finishes," said Menlo coach Jorge Chen. "The girls knew coming in that we needed to make some upsets in a couple of events, along



Paly's Eli Givens (right) and Austin Cox went 1-3 in the 100 at the SCVAL Qualifier.

with doing multiple events, as every point counted."
Only the top two finishers from the WBAL finals move on to the section semifinals

Advancing with Lacy will be teammate Elisa Merten (first in 100 hurdles with a PR of 16.72, second in 300 hurdles) plus the Knights' 400 relay team of De'Jeane Stine, Merten, Lauren Henske and Electa Narasin that set a league record of 50.12.

Other girls moving on include Lindsay Schott of Sacred Heart Prep (first in 400), Chloe Eackles of Pinewood (first in high jump at 5-2, second in triple jump), Ma'ata Makoni of SHP (first in shot put and discus), Claire Traum of Castilleja (second in long jump), plus Castilleja's 1,600 relay team.

For the WBAL boys, Sacred Heart Prep will send Garrett Mack (first in 1,600 at 4:26.67 and first in 800 in 1:59.19), Griffin Kraemer (first in 110 HH, first in 100, first in 300 hurdles, second in TJ), Daniel Hill (first in 3,200), Connor Cody (first in triple jump, first in long jump, second in 110 HH, second in high jump), and Brian O'Kelley (first in shot put).

Priory will send senior Ross Corey in the 800 and 1,600), Menlo has freshman Robert Miranda in the 3,200 and freshman Drew Wadsworth in the pole vault while Eastside Prep's Addison Partida qualified second in the 400 and 200.

CCS PLAYOFFS

# **Gunn, SHP advance after baseball wins**

Palo Alto and Menlo-Atherton are eliminated; Pinewood and Castilleja softball teams both bounced

### by Keith Peters

he Gunn and Sacred Heart Prep baseball teams have survived to play another day in the Central Coast Section playoffs. Palo Alto and Menlo-Atherton, however, have not.

Gunn, seeded 13th out of 16 teams in Division I after finishing second in the SCVAL El Camino Division this season, advanced with a 3-1 upending of No. 4 Menlo-Atherton on Wednesday in Atherton

Just a few miles away, No. 4-seeded Sacred Heart Prep had to go 11 innings before finally securing a 1-0 victory over No. 13 Palma in Division II first-round action.

And, Palo Alto saw its season end following a 4-0 first-round loss to host Carlmont in the Open Division.

Gunn (16-10-1) moves on to Saturday's quarterfinals and will face No. 12 Milpitas (18-11) at Fremont High in Sunnyvale at 2 p.m. Milpitas advanced with an 8-6 win over No. 5 Willow Glen (15-13).

Sacred Heart Prep (18-12) won't be traveling as it will hosting No. 12 Burlingame (19-12), which advanced with a 3-1 win over No. 5 St. Ignatius. The Gators and Panthers, who split their PAL Bay Division regular-season games, meet at 2 p.m.

Gunn got a complete-game five-hitter from sophomore right-hander David Clarke, who struck out four and retired nine straight during the middle innings. Moreover, he didn't walk a single batter while keeping the Bears off balance with his off-speed pitches.

Gunn shortstop Ravi Levens provided the offensive support for Clarke as he produced a two-run single in the third and a run-scoring double in the sixth to drive in Clarke with an insurance run.

Gunn had dropped a 21-6 nonleague game to the host Bears on May 4, but the Titans didn't used any of their top pitchers and played much of their roster. That was evident Wednesday as Clarke was masterful and Gunn won its first CCS playoff game since 2012.

At SHP, the Gators earned another game when Michael York singled home Mitch Martella in the bottom of the 11th inning for the game-winner — marking the second time in four years the Gators eliminated Palma.

SHP senior Will Johnston had a perfect game through five innings until walking a batter to open the top of the sixth. Johnston's nohitter disappeared in the eighth when the second batter singled. Johnston wound up pitching 10 innings, tossing just 104 pitches, but not getting the decision as reliever John Bird picked up the victory.

In Belmont, Palo Alto lost to the No. 4-seeded Scots (23-7) for the second time this season. A threerun third inning that saw three errors by the Vikings was the difference in the game.

### Softball

Pinewood and Castilleja saw their seasons end in shutout losses to open the CCS Division III playoffs.

Pinewood (10-13), seeded No. 12, dropped an 11-0 decision to No. 5 Mills (19-4) in five innings while No. 13 Castilleja (7-18) lost to No. 4 and host Notre Dame-Belmont, 15-0, in four innings.

Castilleja committed seven errors in its loss.

### **NCAA** golf

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you screw up, it makes for a long week."

Stanford is fortunate enough to have several players with experience of the course at The Concession Golf Club, including junior Mariah Stackhouse, sophomore Casey Danielson and freshman Shannon Aubert, a two-time Florida state champion.

"There's a lot of action and you have to be fully aware of what you are doing," Aubert said of the course. "There is no time for mistakes. The fairways are wide open, with undulating greens. It plays fast."

Aubert opened her Stanford career by placing third at the Annika Intercollegiate and seventh at the Stanford Intercollegiate. She

as one of three Cardinal golfers among the top 11 at the NCAA St. George Regional in Utah, in which Stanford finished second, behind USC, and ahead of Pac-12 rival California.

Junior Lauren Kim has been Stanford's most consistent golfer this season. She's been the Cardinal's top finisher seven times (in 11 events), including five of the past six. Stackhouse and Aubert have led the way twice each. At the recently concluded regional, Danielson scored lowest on the first day. Aubert was lowest on the second day and Kim as lowest on the final day.

Stackhouse, 25th at the Pac-12

Stackhouse, 25th at the Pac-12 championships and 58th at the regional, shot rounds of 71 and 69 on Monday at the Druid Hills Golf Club in Georgia to place fifth, two strokes out of second, in a U.S. Open qualifier. Daniel-

son placed second in a qualifier at Windsong Farm Golf Club in Minnesota.

Stackhouse has played in two U.S. Open tournaments, in 2011 and 2013.

The Pac-12 has six teams, and individuals from three other schools in the conference, at the national event.

USC has placed either first or second seven times since 2003. UCLA has been first or second five times over the same span. Arizona, owners of two national titles, Washington and California are also participating.

Seven-time national champion Arizona State, Oregon State and Washington State each have an individual golfer. Pac-12 teams have won 15 national titles since 1990. The NCAA began sponsoring the championships in 1982.

Defending champion Duke is

looking to become the first repeat champions since the Blue Devils won three straight between 2005-07.

The championship features a format change this year, with match play featured. All teams and individuals will complete three rounds of stroke play, with the top 15 teams, along with the top nine individuals not on an advancing team, will advance for one additional day of stroke play to decide the top eight teams and the individual national champion.

The top eight teams compete in match play over a three-day span, beginning Tuesday, for the overall championship.

"It makes for a long week if you make that far," said Walker, who thinks her team has a good chance of doing just that.

"We see teams from the Pac-12

all the time," she added. "We see we can compete."

A fact not lost on Aubert during her first year on the college circuit.

"It's great to be surrounded by such good teams," she said. "It helps us to prepare and it is motivating. It's a good way to measure ourselves."

Aubert is surrounded by talented golfers every day, something else she appreciates.

"I just think we have the greatest girls," Aubert said. "We are all different and yet we are all the same. They've helped me with school, with adapting or they are just there if you want to grab lunch and talk. I feel lucky to be golfing with such a great group."

They will be golfing for a national title this week. Aubert likely hopes her luck continues.

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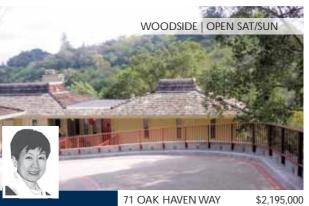
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